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TRY TO KEEP TROOPS AT MINES

Mine Operators Are Afraid to Leave the Preservation of Order to Sheriff Ingalls.

THAT OFFICIAL WORKING ON PLAN TO KEEP PEACE

Little Hope of Securing Compromise of Labor Troubles. Operators Declaring Union Must Be Brought to an End.

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Dec. 21.—The mine operators of Goldfield are loath to leave the task of preserving law and order in the camp in the hands of Sheriff Ingalls. They are using every endeavor to prevail upon President Roosevelt to order a portion of the federal troops to remain in Goldfield indefinitely. Telegrams have been sent at various times today not only from the mine owners, but from officials of the various civic bodies and private individuals, all urging upon the president the necessity for the presence of the troops. Meantime it would appear that conditions today are much better for a peaceful solution of the trouble between the Western Federation and the mine owners.

Attorney O. N. Hilton will leave in the morning to assist in the Pettibone defense.

Mr. Mahoney, acting president of the Western Federation of Miners, will make a proposition to the mine operators on Monday, but the operators assert that it will receive the same treatment as the overtures of Attorney Hilton, a positive refusal to compromise.

Members of the Mine Owners' association here said today: "These men can go back to work here, but not unless they renounce the Western Federation."

In the event that the local miners do renounce the Western Federation or get their positions back through some other proceeding, the operators say they will pay the strikers now here half a month's pay and send them back to where they came from.

Sheriff Ingalls is working on the details of his plan to handle the police situation in Goldfield and will submit it on Monday. The operators say they will consider it, but in the meanwhile they are going ahead with plans for their own protection in case of trouble.

No more strikebreakers came today and the operators say no more are coming soon. There is a feeling of apprehension over the order for the recall of the troops which it is impossible to conceal.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 21.—From his bed this morning, Governor Sparks, who is a very sick man, made the following statement:

"Throughout this whole controversy, I have acted according to my best judgment. I believed, from advices that I received from confidential agents in Goldfield, that trouble was imminent in the mining camp. I knew that dynamite had been stolen from the mines, that the miners were armed and prepared for trouble and the picketing of mines and preventing men from working was damaging property. I was also advised that the sheriff and other civil authorities were unable to cope with the situation. I made these facts clear to the president, and in the absence of any state militia, I asked that troops be sent to prevent trouble. I thought there was no necessity and that no good could be accomplished by calling a special session of the legislature.

"It is true that since the arrival of the troops there has been no violence and that is why we asked for troops. I believed that so long as there were regular soldiers on the ground there would be no outbreak, but I feared, and had reason so to fear, that unless such action were taken immediately there would be riot and bloodshed.

"While I was in Goldfield I investigated personally the conditions that prevailed. I found that the business men were afraid of violence and that the women were in terror. Dozens of women have left the camp because they feared trouble. I found that there was an organized band of high-graders and that the sheriff is absolutely unable to secure a conviction of any one thief. I learned that there are over a thousand rifles in the possession of the miners, and that the spirit of many of the men is such as to warrant me in believing that those rifles would be used upon small pretext.

"While General Funston was there I conferred with him frequently. After he had made a thorough investigation, seeking information from all sources, he told me that it was his opinion that the troops had arrived none too soon. I think he considered the situation grave, and he gave me to understand that he endorsed my action in requesting that troops be sent.' He practically stated that a portion of the troops would remain in Goldfield until the winter passed.

"President Roosevelt has evidently acted upon the advice of the commission which he sent to investigate. They were there a short time and their investigations were perforce more incomplete than those conducted by General Funston. I have always had a high regard for the president, but I believe he has made a serious mistake. I hope that no blood will stain the streets of Goldfield because of his error, but I fear that before many days have passed some violent outbreak will prove the unwisdom of his action.

"I have given no thought to issuing a special call for the legislature. If I thought I could accomplish anything, by so doing, I would not hesitate a second. I shall do all in my power to maintain order down there."

Governor Sparks will probably leave for Carson tomorrow. His present illness was contracted on the night when in the midst of a storm he came from Carson to Reno to meet the troops as they went through to Goldfield.

LEGAL HOLIDAYS ARE AT AN END

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21. — The legal holidays declared by Governor Gillett for the purpose of aiding the banks during the financial stringency will end at 12 o'clock tonight. In speaking of the situation today, Homer S. King, president of the clearing house, said:

"During the past two weeks everything in banking circles has been normal. The need of the holidays is past. Gold is plentiful on demand. The clearing house certificates have served a useful purpose, but they are gradually being retired."

GOLDFIELD STOCKS TAKE A SLUMP

Report That Troops Are to Leave Nevada Has a Disastrous Effect.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—A sharp break was made in the prices of the leading Goldfield Mining stocks this morning as a result of the decision of the government to order the troops now in Nevada back to San Francisco. Goldfield Consolidated and Florence were each about forty points lower in the opening trading. Other Goldfield shares of the cheaper grade also suffered declines. Near the closing hour there were reports that pressure would be brought upon the president for a reconsideration of his decision and the market became somewhat stronger.

McNAB DABBLING IN PATRONAGE

Trouble on Police Commission Over Appointment of Surgeon Said to Be His Doing.

(Special to the Republican.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The police commission has had another secret tussle with the problem of choosing a surgeon for the department. The vote still stands two and two for Dr. Clinton and Dr. Stone. Commissioners Sweigert and Leggett insist that Clinton, the man who was expelled from the Olympic club because he "insulted" Patrick Calhoun, shall have the place, and Commissioners Kell and Cullet are equally determined that Stone shall be given the excellent berth.

Appeal has been made to Mayor Taylor to settle the controversy, but he is sticking to his purpose of keeping his hands off the commission and leaving their troubles to themselves.

It is alleged that the fine hand of Gavin McNab can be seen in the fight, aiming with his usual craftiness to pull off some advantage for his Democratic friends.

HOBOES ARE WARNED OUT OF LOS ANGELES

Police Post Notices on Railway Lines, Warning Them to Stay Away.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—The local police have inaugurated a crusade against the tramps who are infesting this locality, that will make all previous efforts seem insignificant. Thousands of posters are to be put up along the railway lines between Los Angeles and the desert, warning all hoboes that the police are waiting for them and that they will be put to work as soon as they arrive here.

The posters are worded as follows:

"Hoboes, keep moving. Rent is high and food scarce. Taxpayers will not support you. Long sentences on the chain gang given here. Sixty to ninety days our specialty."

The idea originated with Marshal Anderson of Yuma, Ariz., who found the scheme worked successfully.

CLUBHOUSE ATTACHED ON EVE OF BANQUET

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—On the eve of the banquet to be given by the New Illinois Athletic club tonight in honor of its officers, and at which Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte will be one of the speakers, a mechanic's lien for $95,000 was filed yesterday against the club house.

The lien was filed in the circuit court by a firm of contractors, and is for a balance on the original contract price of $400,000, which later was increased to nearly $600,000.

A provision of the 99-year lease of the property on which the building stands provides for its forfeiture in the event the tenant allows any lien to stand against the property.

DRUNKEN DISTRICT ATTORNEY SUSPENDED

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 21.—At the request of the board of supervisors of Cochise county, and on charges filed by the board with Public Examiner W. C. Foster, Governor Kibby today suspended F. W. Shelly from the office of District Attorney of Cochise county. The charges allege drunkenness, legal incompetency and neglect of duty. Examiner Foster has named as Shelley's temporary secretary, D. L. Cunningham of Tombstone.

TAFT TALKS ABOUT THE ISLANDS

Prefers Philippines as Topic to the Discussion of the American Political Situation

IS GOING TO OHIO TO SETTLE MOTHER'S ESTATE

Says Filipinos Must Continue In Tutelage for Another Generation—Are Not Yet Ready for Jury System In Islands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Secretary Taft's first day at his desk since his return to the United States was a busy one from beginning to end.

He had a great number of callers. If they talked politics, and some of them admitted that they did, notably General Bristow, the secretary himself was not to be led into any discussion of that subject with the newspaper men, who wished him to talk about it later. In fact he said to them very plainly that the theme was a forbidden one at this moment, but if the proper occasion arose in the future he would be glad to make a full statement on the subject.

That answer covered all questions as to his plans for the immediate future, such as the probability of his going to Ohio to take part in the contest over the early primaries. He did admit, however, that he would attend the banquet of the Home Market club of Boston and address that body on the night of the 30th inst.

The topic is to be the Philippine tariff and might in one sense be regarded as political in its relation to the American tariff, though Secretary Taft will endeavor to have the projected removal of duties on Philippine products imported into America considered on a non-partisan basis.

May Visit Canal Zone.

Colonel Goethals, chief engineer of the Panama canal, Senator Blackburn, a member of the Panama canal commission, and R. R. Rogers, the law officer of the commission, talked with Taft about affairs on the Isthmus. The secretary has yet to submit to congress his annual report, one of the most important chapters of which will deal with he canal construction. He very much desires to make a personal visit to the Isthmus to get the information he needs at first hand. Indeed, he was urged to make this visit, especially by Commissioner Blackburn, but owing to the vast accumulation of business awaiting his disposition he could not promise to make the trip before next summer.

The secretary found time during the day to repair to the White House and confer with the President briefly about the situation in Goldfield, Nevada, the result of his visit being the issue of an order to the commander of the department of California providing for the formal execution of the decision of the President, announced in his telegram to Governor Sparks yesterday to withdraw the regular troops from Goldfield on the 30th inst.

Arthur Vorys, the political manager for Taft, is expected in Washington tomorrow.

The Philippine Situation.

As soon as he has disposed of the vast amount of departmental business which has accumulated during his long absence, Secretary Taft will begin the preparation of an extended report of his observations in the Philippine islands. In an interview tonight, Mr. Taft discussed at much length the situation in the islands, from both a political and material view point, and expressed himself as highly gratified with the progress that had been made in all lines.

"The whole situation," he said, "briefly may be summed up in this way:

"Peace prevails throughout the Philippine islands today in a greater degree than ever in their history, either under Spanish or American rule.

"Agriculture is nowhere impeded by fear on the part of farmers of predatory bands. Under the policy inaugurated by President McKinley in reference to the establishment of a temporary government, the Philippine community, consisting of several million people, are free from robbery, and predatory bands, which break out from time to time, are due to local causes. The presidentes are supporting the government.

Real Peace Accomplished.

"This is real peace, comprising all the word implies. This is the first and possibly the best accomplishment of the United States in the islands. From an educational standpoint, too, it has done much to encourage the supporters of our policy in the islands and those who share in our hopes for the future.

"The Filipinos are in a state of tutuelage, ripe to receive modern Western conceptions of religion and policies, as they shall be educated to understand them. This is the reason why I believe that the whole Christian Filipino people are capable of training and becoming a self-governing people. The common Filipino laborers sends his children to school to learn English. There is no real difficulty between the educated and the ignorant Filipino that cannot be overcome by the education of one generation."

Tutelage For a Generation.

"When do you think the people will be sufficiently well educated to enable them to govern themselves?" the secretary was asked.

"The Filipino government has not funds enough to educate in primary and industrial schools all the present generation of school age," he replied,

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THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC PREPARES FOR STRIKE OF ITS MACHINISTS

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21.—Matters in this city indicate that the Southern Pacific company will not sign up an agreement with the blacksmith, machinist and other departments of the railroad shops, and that it is preparing for a prospective strike.

Of late no person is allowed in the shops enclosure. No passes are issued and all points of entry are guarded. Just north of the shops, on new made ground, a stockade eight feet high and topped with barbed wire is being built and in the enclosure a bunk house ninety feet long and forty feet wide is finished with the exception of the roof, and a dining room, cook house and out-buildings are going up. Over 100 men are employed on the job.

It is believed by shopmen that if a strike is declared, non-union men will be maintained inside the stockade.

COMMITTEE TO RECEIVE BATTLESHIP FLEET

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Mayor Taylor today named twenty-five prominent citizens as a committee to receive Rear Admiral Evans and the battleship fleet upon arrival in San Francisco. The committee will act with five supervisors to arrange details of the entertainment of the visitors.

WORTHLESS BONDS FURNISHED CITY

Work of Good Government League Unearths Unbusiness-like Methods of Officials

(Special to Republican.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—A bond of $5000 that was worthless was the guarantee that a furniture firm gave on a $30,000 contract to the school board of this city. It was the firm that sold hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of office and school furnishings to the city during the regime of Schmitz and Ruef and its chief salesman was secretary of one of the grand juries whose personnel was always favorable to the administration.

With a striking illustration of what a body of citizens can do in enforcing a proper management of the affairs of a municipality, the good government league not only discovered the unbusinesslike methods of the school board but it has remedied them. The directors have agreed to exact a bond of $10,000 and required that it shall be furnished by a surety company of responsibility.

Investigation by agents of the league revealed that the $5000 bond was given by officials of the very firm that had the contract. To all intents and purposes it was worthless. The school directors say that they were not aware that the men on the bond were virtually the contractors themselves. They became eager to right things at once.

The league is not trumpeting about its work. Instead of rushing into the newspapers with accounts of what it is doing, it is quietly working to bring about a correction of the many laxities in the city's service. This fact has given the city officials a great respect for the league, for they are convinced all the more of its earnestness of purpose. Proof is given that politics is not the aim of the organization nor has it any axes to grind.

The league recently brought about an accounting of relief funds for the schools and had them transferred from the keeping of the directors to the city treasury, where they belonged.

The most interesting phase of the league's work is the facility with which it accomplishes things. It seems to be the most powerful agency that has ever developed in the city to hold public officials to account. Plans have been made to keep a watchful eye on the business of the city permanently and it is hoped to prove that it will pay property owners to support the organization because of the saving in taxes it is expected to effect.

WHEN DIVORCE GOES MAD THIS IS THE RESULT

Strange Medley of Married and Unmarried Couples Apears In a Chicago Court.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Judge Carpenter yesterday granted legal separation to Mrs. Antonio Uhlir, from Joseph Uhlir, on the ground of cruelty, but made her sign a waiver to all claims for alimony and relinquish her dower right in his property. Uhlir is 64 years old and the woman 62.

It was the third matrimonial venture for both, and the woman's second husband, John C. Cerveny, was one of the principal witnesses against her. She was Cerveny's second wife, and while he was disgusted with that match, he, according to a statement made to Mrs. Uhlir's attorney, proposed marriage to one of the witnesses, who herself is a "grass widow." This woman, whose first husband is dead, asked the lawyer what he thought about it, and he advised both to sit down and not again go out to dinner together. Nearly every witness called had been married two or three times.

Strangely enough, Mrs. Uhlir sought and secured the right to take the name of her first husband, Albert Sotek, the only one of the trio she buried.

Madame Gadski's Mother Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Madame Gadski, the prima donna, yesterday received word of the death of her mother in Berlin. She had been ill for some time, but her death was not expected. Madame Gadski was prostrated by the news and will not appear tonight in the performance of "Der Fliegende Holländer," as announced.

BE WARY OF CRIMINALS' FRIENDS

Says Bonaparte In Giving Advice as to Candidates People Should Choose at Polls.

PERSONS WHO THINK THEMSELVES ABOVE LAW

Trust In the East, Land Grabbing In the West and Peonage In the South He Names as Popular Forms of Crime.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte, who passed the day in Chicago, as the guest of the Illinois Athletic club was the principal speaker at the banquet of that organization given in honor of its organizers. Others who responded to toasts were Congressman Frank O. Lowden and James Hamilton Lewis of Chicago, former congressman from Washington.

Bonaparte, after conveying the President's regrets at not being able to attend, said that he spoke for no one but himself.

"For my many sins of commission and omission as attorney general," he said, "the president must bear his share of responsibility, but for my faults as a post prandial orator it would be hard to hold him to blame.

The subject of Mr. Bonaparte's address was "Obstacles to the execution of the laws," and he quoted from that part of the constitution wherein it says "He shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed." This duty, he said, was probably the most important and most clearly vital to the people's happiness and to the safety of the President's duties. Mr. Bonaparte continued:

"If when he seeks to fulfill it, a stumbling block is placed in his path; if the faithful execution of the laws is made difficult or uncertain in whatever measure or from whatever cause, the American people should be plainly told that the American people may find and apply a remedy."

Continuing, Mr. Bonaparte said that it had been his experience as attorney general that some people think or talk and write as though the law especially exempted them.

"In the Eastern states," he added, "any enforcement of Federal statutes forbidding conspiracies in restraint of trade or favoritism by common carriers, is greeted by a chorus of wails as unsettling business and breeding or keeping alive panics. In certain Western and Southwestern states the prosecution of men who have acquired vast tracts of public lands through fraud and perjury in plain violation of law and with enormous profits to themselves, is fiercely denounced as a "persecution of prominent and public spirited citizens."

Finally, in some Southern states, attempts to bring to punishment under the laws of the United States forbidding peonage, those who virtually enslave helpless negroes and no less helpless foreigners, provoke a like outcry.

"In all these cases, the idea underlying the complaints, an idea more or less concealed by falsehood, is that laws, or some laws, are not really intended to be really obeyed by some people. If, after a tedious and expensive inquiry it has been shown clearly that a wrong has been committed, the culprit may be called to answer for it, but when he shows, by way of answer that he is a captain of industry or a generalissimo of finance, or at least a 'leading citizen,' in other words, that he is rich or otherwise influential they would have him go unpunished or at worst escape with a sham penalty about as formidable as burning with a cold iron.

"No, in our country, neither the President or any one else can execute the laws faithfully, or execute them at all, unless the American people want them executed.

"After relating Aesop's story of the wolves persuading the sheep to send away their watch dogs, Mr. Bonaparte said:

"Just now the denizens of that great sheep fold, the American union, are beginning to turn their thoughts to the grave problem of choosing a head watch dog to guard them for four long years. I cannot help thinking it may aid them in this weighty task to establish, first of all, a negative test of fitness. Whatever applicant for the job is viewed with political favor by the wolves may well be left in his home kennel; wolves can be trusted to know what they want, and they to want what the sheep don't want. In plainer language, no man can be safely trusted to take care that the laws be faithfully executed if his choice be longed for and if urged by all or many of those who have obstructed the faithful execution of the same laws in the past and whose influence and resource are formidable obstacles to their faithful execution today."

ONLY THIRTEEN BODIES RECOVERED FROM MINE

JACOBS CREEK, Pa., Dec. 21.—But thirteen bodies had been recovered from the Darr mine when darkness came in night and all hope of reaching the others before tomorrow was abandoned.

The rescue work progressed steadily all day, but was slow on account of a heavy accumulation of gas, which necessitated more precaution in the work of exploration. The mine has been penetrated about 1000 feet, but the slope is an old one and the workings are located nearly three miles from the surface. In their endeavor to reach the victims several members of the rescuing party were seriously overcome late today by black damp.

NITRATE STRIKE IS CAUSE OF BLOODSHED

VALPAIRSO, Dec. 21.— The strike of the nitrate workers has already borne fruit in bloodshed and death and is daily growing worse. At Lagunas yesterday there was an encounter between troops and strikers, in the course of which seven men were killed and sixteen wounded. At Iquique one man was killed and several were wounded in an encounter with the authorities. A censorship has been established at Iquique, the strikers now number not less than 30,000 men and no work is being done anywhere in the Antofogasta Mejillenes or Culeta Bura districts.

WELL KNOWN JOURNALIST DIES AT CHICAGO HOME

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Henry O. Turner, a well known newspaper man of this city, died at his home yesterday of anaemia. Turner had been a member of the editorial staffs of many of the leading journals of the country. He was born in Portland, Me., September 9, 1848. His first newspaper work was on the Boston Journal. He was a writer for the Springfield Republican for six years and came West with a number of Eastern newspaper men to found the Omaha Tribune.

Mr. Turner came to Chicago twenty-six years ago and was actively engaged on various newspapers of this city until his final illness.

PROSECUTION IS NEARLY FINISHED

Attorneys for State In Pettibone Trial Regard Case as Stronger Than Haywood.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 21.—With the exception of the examination of two Colorado witnesses, which Senator Borah announced would not consume more than an hour, the state concluded today the presentation of its evidence in its trial of George A. Pettibone for the murder of Ex-Governor Frank A. Steunenberg.

Mrs. Ida Toney, Harry Orchard's Colorado wife, was on the witness stand all morning and part of the afternoon under cross-examination. Her son, Mark Toney, was the only other witness of the day, and his testimony was practically the same as that given by his mother.

James H. Hawley and Senator W. E. Borah, leading counsel for the state, tonight stated that they were well satisfied with the case and regarded it as much stronger than that presented against Haywood. The same testimony as in the former trial was given, and in addition that of Mrs. Toney and her son, and Charles Neville, whose evidence the state regards as damaging, were witnesses for the prosecution.

In view of the request made by E. L. Evans, juror in the Pettibone case at the adjournment of court yesterday afternoon, that he be permitted to make a statement to the court and leading counsel, Judge Wood this morning admonished the jury that if any attempt was made to communicate with them the matter should be reported to the court. Judge Wood ascertained that it was not concerning anything of this kind of which Evans desired to speak. Mrs. Ida Toney, the wife of Harry Orchard, was called to the stand and was further cross-examined by Darrow. He drew from the witness the statement that Orchard had told her of meeting detectives Scott and Sterling.

RETURN OF ACTIVITY WILL BE VERY SLOW

Says President Ripley of Santa Fe In Commenting Upon the Financial Situation.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 21.—E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe Railroad, en route to his California home, in an interview on the financial situation, said today:

"While the acute stage of the financial crisis has passed with the return of cash payments by the banks, it will be a year before the former status of business activity can be affected. The confidence of the people when so severely shaken can be restored only by the lapse of time. Whatever the conditions, the present panic, so-called, could not become seriously far reaching or long continued for two reasons. One is that the American farmer was never in such prosperous circumstances, the country over, and no panic can long prevail against such conditions. The other reason is that large organizations of capital, the so-called and much abused trusts, have been in a position by co-operative effort to uphold the business of the country.

SUBSTITUTE TENNIS TROPHY TO BE GIVEN TO MISS SUTTON

CINCINNATI, Dec. 21.—The trophy having disappeared, Miss May Sutton, three times winer of the Interstate Women's tennis championship, will receive a proper substitute. Search for the missing bowl having failed to bring it to light, it was decided today by the state association to have an exact duplicate made of the original bowl and present it to Miss Sutton.

Ventura Bank on Good Footing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The bank commissioners today received a statement from J. C. Daly, the new president of the Bank of Ventura, which was of a most encouraging character. Depositors representing $150,000 have given extensions, and stock amounting to $160,000 has been taken by leading citizens. The bank commissioners will take up the matter next week and the indications are that the bank will be permitted to proceed on the showing made by Judge Daly.

FLEET WILL GO ROUND WORLD

Is Personal Opinion of Admiral Evans, Sent By Wireless from His Flagship at Sea.

TRIP TO BE VIA SUEZ NEXT SUMMER OR FALL

Reorganization of the Pacific Fleet Has Been Ordered on Account of Arrival of Vessels from the Asiatic Station.

ON BOARD UNITED STATES STEAMSHIP CONNECTICUT AT SEA, DEC. 21, VIA GOVERNMENT WIRELESS STATION, KEY WEST, FLA., TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, NEW YORK.—Rear Admiral Evans today authorized the statement for publication that he personally believes that the navy department's intention is that the fleet shall return via the Suez route late next summer or fall.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A reorganization of the Pacific fleet, to become effective after January 1st next, was announced at the navy department today. It is largely an administrative step and incident to the arrival of vessels at the Pacific coast from the Asiatic station and of Admiral Sebree's special service squadron, consisting of the cruisers Tennessee and Washington in those waters. As now planned, the fleet will continue in command of Rear Admiral James H. Dayton. The makeup of the fleet is to be:

First squadron, first division, West Virginia, Colorado, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Second division—Tennessee, Washington, California and South Dakota to be assigned later. This division is to be in command of Rear Admiral Sebree.

Second squadron, third division—Charleston, Milwaukee and St. Louis.

Fourth division—Albany and Yankton.

Third squadron, fifth division—Chattanooga, Galveston, Denver and Cleveland.

Sixth division (special service) — Rainbow, Concord, Helena, Wilmington, Callao, Quiros and Vallalobos.

Coast defense—Monterey, Monadnock.

First torpedo flotilla—Barry, Bainbridge, Dale, Chauncey and Decatur.

Fourth torpedo flotilla—Perry and Preble.

All the vessels of the third squadron are in Asiatic waters.

The intention of the navy department at this time is to transfer the Chicago, now at San Diego, California, to the Atlantic coast for the use of the naval cadets at Annapolis.

TOBACCO WAR WILL BE SETTLED AMICABLY

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21.—Those who participated in the conference of Tobacco Growers and Buyers called by Governor Wilson believe that the tobacco war will be amicably settled. The conference adjourned last night with the understanding that the American Tobacco company would on January 2nd, examine samples of the tobacco held by the Burley Tobacco society at Winchester. The society holds 60,000,000 pounds of tobacco. The American company will not use all of it, but will probably place a price on portion of it.

A committee representing the Green River Dark Tobacco district, requested a conference with all buyers. The American Tobacco company's representatives complied, but no date was set for inspection of the tobacco.

GERMAN SAMOA IS SHAKEN BY VOLCANO

Almost Two Hundred Inches of Rain Have Fallen This Season.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Advices from Tutuila, Samoa, state that the volcano on the island of Savaii in German Samoa is working with greater activity than it has done since the first outbreak and the eruptions are submarine as well as terrestial. Lava is flowing into the sea at the rate of 7000 tons a minute. Dr. Friedlander, a German professor of geology, states that other portions of the island may be destroyed. He has traveled through American Samoa and declares that this district will be free from any volcanic action.

The rainfall for the present year will exceed all records since the American flag was raised, as it now amounts to almost two hundred inches.

FIRE EATS UP DETROIT BUILDINGS

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 21. — Fire early today gutted the six-story brick building at the corner of Jefferson and Woodward avenues, occupied by Edwin S. George, furniture dealer, and D. Z. Kellogg, wholesale milliner. The total loss is estimated at about $140,000, divided as follows:

Edward D. George, $100,000; D. Z. Kellogg, $20,000, and W. N. Carpenter estate, owners of the building, $20,000.

Assistant Fire Chief Kelly and Pipeman Robert Hummell were severely injured by escaping horses. Hummell's skull was fractured and he may die.

Shop by Mail.

Ladies' Hosiery

Excellent holiday souvenirs to be found in our Hosiery Section.

Ladies' Black, pure thread Silk Hosiery, hand embroidered, in a large assortment of exquisite designs, handsomely boxed:

$3.00, $3.50, $4.00 and $5.00 a pair.

Ladies' imported fast black Lisle Thread Hosiery, hand embroidered, in a large selection of pretty floral designs.

50c, 75c, $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75 to $2.50 pair.

Extra Values, Women's Hand-Embroidered Hose 75c

Women's finest French Lisle Thread Imported Hose, daintily hand embroidered; about 25 different patterns to select from. Special, pair .....**75¢**

ART LINEN GOODS

Welcome, indeed, will be either of the items which we mention in this notice to any housekeeper of discriminating taste:

Handsome Cluny Centerpieces and Scarfs, **$7.50** to **$13.50**.

Pillow Tops, in great variety of patterns, in the latest and most up-to-date designs, **25¢** and **50¢** each.

Sale 50 Lace & Net Waists Values up to $7.50, at $4.89

Nothing better for Christmas Presents.

There are several models to select from, one of which we illustrate. Each waist is a marvel in itself. The collection represents all the new ideas in this season's models. They are made of net and combinations of laces and insertions. Some have the ruffled sleeve; some the kimono sleeve, and others are made entirely of the ruffled lace, in ecru or white. Silk lined, all sizes. Values up to $7.50; special at **$4.89.**

GLOVE AND MERCHANDISE ORDERS

The most satisfactory gift of all is one of these orders. The recipient can choose at leisure, selecting the correct size and style of gloves preferred—or anything else in any of our departments. Every order is put up in a pretty Christmas box.

Our Entire Millinery Stock Half Price

Fifty per cent reduction. Our entire stock of high-class millinery including: All pattern hats, all shapes, all trimmed hats, all flowers, also all our feathers and ornaments—except ostrich plumes—

At Half Market Price.

Only Two More Shopping Days Till Xmas

Store Open Every Evening Until Christmas

Hints That Will Help Solve the Problem of "Gift" Choosing

"The Greatest Toyland and Dolldom In Central California"

More Holiday Goods Than Any Three Local Stores

The big, busy Gottschalk's store presents more and better opportunities for Christmas shopping than any other three local stores combined; a greater variety of merchandise suitable for gifts; larger assortments and better service; lavish displays on every floor of "gift" things, and at prices that will meet the requirements of any purse, however economical; we have made special arrangements that your "Christmas buying" this week may be easier and quickly accomplished; hundreds of extra sales people; merchandise arranged for quick and easy choosing, and such low prices as were never before named on high grade merchandise; and always bear in mind that our prices are always lowest.

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen

These pens have so long been recognized as the only perfect fountain pen that it seems almost useless to say anything further about their superior qualities. It is sufficient to say that we have a complete line of the many different styles in all kinds of points. A pen to suit every hand. **$2.50** up to **$5.00.**

Christmas Gloves.

Perhaps no other article known is quite so acceptable to womankind as gloves — we mean, of course, fashionable, reliable gloves, such only as we sell. Aside from the many novelties we are showing especially for gifts, we've most satisfying assortments of the staple kinds, those for ordinary wear.

Ladies' 16-button length cape gloves, in assorted tans, pair **$4.00**

Ladies' 12-button, cape gloves, pair **$3.50**

Women's 16-button pique gloves, white, tan and black, pair **$4.00**

Ladies' 16-button length kid gloves, assorted staple shades, pair **$3.75**

Ladies' 16-button length Suede gloves, pair ..**$3.50**

FURS

What more acceptable gift for Christmas than a set of furs? Our line is most complete and the prices very reasonable. We are making special prices on the following items:

$ 6.50 Coney Muffs ..**$5.00**

$12.50 Gray Squirrel Muffs **$9.00**

$25.00 Mink Muffs .**$20.00**

$30.00 Mink Muffs..**$25.00**

$35.00 Mink Muffs .**$30.00**

Caracul Coats.

$10.50 value .....**$ 8.75**

$15.00 value **$11.50**

$20.00 value **$14.75**

$25.00 value **$18.75**

$30.00 value **$22.50**

For Christmas Ribbon Novelties

Most complete showing dainty ribbon novelties; opera and sewing bags, fancy bows, coat hangers, etc., of fine silk ribbons, very temptingly priced. Ask to see them in our ribbon department.

New Ribbons

Every holiday design, such as holly, violet and Poinsetta patterns, useful for fancy work. We can serve your every purpose in the ribbon line. Baby Ribbon for tying holiday packages, a piece 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c and 80c.

N. B.—Ribbon Bows tied free of charge.

A Few Suggestions

Ladies' fancy Side Garters, satin ribbon and lace covering; pair ..**$1.00**

Fancy Round Garters; each pair in box under glass; pair ....**50¢, 75¢** and **$1.00**

Perfumes Reduced

You'll want a quantity of these splendid Christmas perfumes when you learn that the choicest are reduced today:

35c boxes are..... **25¢** each

75c boxes are..... **50¢** each

$1 boxes are ..... **75¢** each

All in individual packages of real value.

Great Saving

On Ostrich Feather Boas

Our specially reduced prices during the holidays on boas and stoles will afford you a great opportunity to economize.

Note the Savings

$10.00 Boas at.....**$6.67**

$18.00 Boas at..... **$12.00**

$20.00 Boas at..... **$15.00**

In black, gray and light blue. Such a gift is always appreciated.

Fine Stationery For Less

Nobody ever questions the idea of the goodness of fine stationery for gift giving. Eaton-Hurlbut's best qualities here, put up in fancy holiday boxes, which are in themselves beautiful enough for gifts, at sharp reductions from prevailing prices.

35c boxes are..... **25¢** each

50c boxes are..... **35¢** each

75c boxes are..... **50¢** each

$1.00 boxes are..... **75¢** each

$1.50 boxes are..... **$1.35** each

$2.00 boxes are..... **$1.75** each

$7.50 and $10 Silk Petticoats $5.95

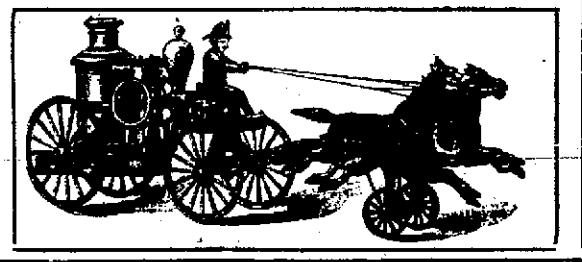
75 handsome garments in all wanted colors, also black; made of an excellent quality taffeta silk that will give exceptional service; garments that have been selling regularly at $7.50 to $10; choice while they last at the price named.

INFANTS' DRESSES, 50¢ to $5.00.

These dresses are hand-made of very fine nainsook or lawn, and daintily trimmed with fine tucks and hand-embroidered. Ages range 6 months to 3 years.

INFANTS' SILK CAPS, $1.00 up to $4.00.

Can you think of a more appropriate gift for the new baby? Our large line includes the plain Dutch effects, as well as those attractively trimmed with ruching.



Useful Gifts For Children

Why not decide to buy sensible and practical gifts for the children this year? We can help you solve that perplexing problem of what to buy for the children ,if you will.

Bring Your Lists Here Today

Our large and carefully selected stocks and reasonable prices make it

Easy to Decide Here

Infants' Bootees '..... .....**25¢** to **$1.50**

Infants' Bibs .... **10¢, 25¢** and **35¢**

Infants' Mittens, **25¢** to **50¢**

Infants' Leggins ....**35¢, 75¢** and **$1** each

Infants' Sacques .... **$1.50** to **$3.50**

Infants' Long Coats .... **$1.50** to **$3.50**

Bags and Purses

The holiday collection is ready and this means a very large and very fine assortment to select from and some very special values, a few of which we mention briefly.

Leather Hand Bags—Card case and samll purse to match, leather lined, gilt or gun metal frame. Only ...**$1.75**

Seal and Walrus Leather Bags—Card case, purse and mirror; a beautiful bag. Put forward as a leader at. **$3.50**

Vanity Purses—Latest novelty; made of colored leather, imported; silk lined, strap or chain handles; very swell. These are worth $6.00, but as a special inducement to those who are willing to do their Christmas shopping early, we have put the price at **$4.50**

Children's Purses—Brown, red, blue, tan, gray and fancy colored leather purses, with smaller coin purse to match. Only .... **50¢**

Umbrellas

For inexpensive gifts. Gloria silk, steel rod, 26-inch Paragon frame; regular $3.00 and $3.50 values for Monday **$2.50**

$1.75 and $2.00 Gloria Umbrellas, 26 and 28-inch fancy bone handles. Monday **$1.50**

Hurry! Hurry! Toys and Dolls Going Now With a Rush

Toys and dolls on every hand. Yes, thousands of them, but every day sees the assortment grow less; don't expect to come the last minute and have the variety there is now. Your own good judgment will tell you that you can't begin too quick. Both your pocketbook interest and judgment will tell you Gottschalk's is Fresno's greatest toy store. Note these Monday leaders:

If it's Christmas decorations you want, we can certainly suit you, for our stock in that line is most complete.

IRON TRAINS.

Iron engine and passenger coaches, painted in bright colors ..... **25¢**

Large size, with heavy engine, tender and two 9-inch coaches, length about 17 inches ....**50¢**

Passenger train, latest type of engine, tender and three coaches, made of extra strong metal, handsomely finished, **$1.25**

Same as above, large size **$2.50**

LOOP-THE-LOOP, 50¢.

Start the auto at the top and it loops the loop in a most astonishing manner; **50¢.**

TOY RANGES.

Prices from **35¢** to **$5.50** each. These stoves are complete in every detail—having pots, kettles, stove hooks, coal scuttles, etc.

DRUMS.

Lacquered metal body, embossed hoops sheepskin heads complete with stick, **25¢, 50¢, 75¢, $1.25** up.

TRUMPETS.

Cow horns, French horns ,trombones, cornets, etc, **5¢, 10¢, 15¢** and up.

EXPRESS WAGONS.

Express wagons of iron, with galloping horses and driver; length about 14 inches—**25¢, 50¢** and **75¢.**

TOOL CHESTS.

Chestnut box, with tray, about 11 inches long; hinged covers; well finished, with heavy brown molding; contains about 11 tools — **25¢** and **50¢.**

A Great Book Store Replete With Gift Hints

Books are easy to choose, they're most acceptable. To a book lover there is nothing more appropriate.

We have the biggest, broadest, most comprehensive gathering of books in Fresno. Necessitating a greatly enlarged selling space. Thousands of books. Just what you need for gifts. We can save you money as these few price hints demonstrate. It's a handy store, just at our lower floor.

All the late copyright books published to sell at $1.50 are here always at **50¢.** Come and ask for our price list of books and Christmas hints.

Here are a few of the latest Popular Fiction at **$1.35** each.

Cupid the Cowpunch, by Eleanor Gates.

The Halo, by Bettina Von Hutton.

White Fang, by Jack London.

The Car of Destiny, by C. N. and A. M. Williamson.

The New Missioner, by Mrs. Wilson Woodrow.

Letitia, by George Madden Marten.

Arizona Nights, by Stewart Edward White.

Kilo, by Ellis Parker Butler.

EXTRA SPECIAL SALE on Kid Body Dolls Half Off SLIGHTLY SOILED

In transit these dolls were slightly damaged. The railroad company paid us the loss, and you will reap the benefit,—on being able to buy almost perfect dolls for just half. Come early if you want first choice.

Former 50c Dolls now ..... **25¢**

Former $2.00 Dolls now **$1.00**

Former $3.00 Dolls now **$1.50**

Former $3.50 and $4.00 Dolls now .. **$2.00**

Former $4.50 and $5.00 Dolls now .. **$2.50**

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HANDKERCHIEFS

By the Hundreds and Thousands Ready for Gift Giving.

Give handkerchiefs and you may be sure that your gift will be used and be appreciated, for no man, woman or child can get too many—another dozen handkerchiefs always welcome.

It's a great Practical Gift-Giving Opportunity.

It's a great Christmas "Thank you" from our lower floor.

Christmas Suggestions

Things that are practical, useful and very acceptable.

—Neckwear
—Kimonos
—Undermuslins
—Belts
—Long Coats
—Waists
—Millinery
—Petticoats
—Tailor Suits
—Costumes
—Wraps
—Dresses
—Furs
—Short Coats
—Suit Orders
—Fur Sets

Any one of the above articles may be purchased here at specially low prices.

ANNUAL DECEMBER Clearance Sale

Many Bargain Opportunities For Christmas Shoppers

This is indeed a timely sale, the very height of the season, right on the threshold of Christmas, and we are offering you the opportunity of saving close to half on Christmas purchases. Think of it—you not only get useful, serviceable gifts that are always acceptable, but save almost 50 per cent.

The very newest, best and most up-to-date wearables all offered at a great sacrifice—irrespective of former values and selling prices. Note each item carefully, then come prepared to see many others equally as attractive.

$22.50 For Caracul Coats Worth to $40

We have taken every Caracul Coat in stock worth up to $40.00 and named one sensationally low price for your choice. This is certainly a grand opportunity to procure a beautiful coat for a Christmas gift. They are the very latest New York fad and are getting more popular every day. Have a fine rich appearance, closely resembling fur, with almost the same wearing qualities. They are all beautifully made, some plainly tailored with standing storm collars, others richly embellished with silk braids, Persian trimmings, fancy buttons, etc.

Real Furs----Special Prices

Furs, like diamonds, are very deceiving. Here you have our absolute guarantee—every fur as represented or your money back. We are now showing an unusually fine assortment of high-class furs as well as the intermediate grades, including genuine mink, fox, ermine, lynx, etc. The following items will give you an idea of our prices.

Jap Mink Worth $10 — $8.95

A flat throw made of Japanese mink and lined with brocaded satin, well made in a rich coloring and trimmed with a mink head, has broad square ends trimmed with small tails.

Squirrel Worth $18 — $9.95

Made of genuine gray squirrel and lined with gray satin, very neatly trimmed with heads, deeply split ends and also trimmed with paws, very neat and sightly.

Real Fox Worth $12 — $9.95

Made in a box effect of real fox all around, trimmed with two large full tails, very effective and serviceable, will make a nice warm neck wrap for chilly mornings.

Fox Throw Worth $8 — $5.75

Made in a flat effect of real fox and nicely trimmed with figured satin, cut in a long four-in-hand effect with broad shaped ends, would make a very attractive Christmas gift.

Dainty Waists Reduced

We are showing many dainty and pretty effects in lace, net, messaline, and plaid silks, suitable for most any kind of wear and very desirable for Christmas presents. Some have lace yokes, others in plain tailored effects, and still others trimmed in numerous effective ways. Your choice now of almost any waist in stock at greatly reduced prices. Note descriptions:

Silk Waists Worth $7.50 — $4.95

Many different pretty styles, plain colors and plaid combinations in tailored effects; dainty, soft messaline silks in colors, blue, pink and white, trimmed with laces and medallions.

Wool Waists Worth $5 — $2.95

Made of all wool materials in neat tailored effects, some have embroidered fronts, all are pretty and effective, colors white, champagne, gray, red, black, blue, etc., great values at this price.

Lace Waists Worth $12 — $7.95

All handsomely made and lined with silk throughout, beautifully trimmed with medallions, laces, tuck, etc., colors black, white or ecru, some have round and square yokes.

Net Waists Worth $7.50 — $4.95

Nothing prettier or more handsome for evening wear, all beautifully made in colors, ecru and white; some have yokes, others trimmed in various ways.

Tailor Suits Worth to $30 on Sale at $18.75

Included in this lot you will find many of our very best styles. They are all made of a very superior quality of broadcloth and strictly man-tailored throughout.

One very desirable model is made with a 36-inch coat, lined throughout with satin and beautifully braided with all silk braid, neatly finished with a Persian vestee.

Another model is a 27-in. cutaway, tailored severely plain and very mannish. Another model is a box coat effect made double breasted with side creases and open vents, has broad shoulders, and mannish collar and lapels. Another model is cut in a military effect with high standing collar and beautifully braided and trimmed with braid frogs.

We also show many other models, all are strictly up-to-date and guaranteed to wear well.

Dress Coats — $12.95

Worth to $25.00

One style is made of tan broadcloth of a very good quality, is neatly trimmed, cut exceptionally full and very stylish for theatre or dress occasions; is a finely made and well finished coat that will stand good wear. Another style is made of a Scotch mixture in several different colorings; is well made, has a storm collar and is cut double-breasted. Several other styles but space prohibits descriptions.

Silk Petticoats

Make very acceptable gifts. Ours are all made of pure silk taffeta and guaranteed to wear well. All have deep flounces and under silk dust ruffles, all the most seasonable colors to select from, including changeable blacks and whites. Just now we are offering many special values, they range from

$7.95 to $15.00

Dress Skirts — $2.95

Worth $5.00.

Skirts made of first-class panamas in an assortment of colors. Finely tailored and well finished, guaranteed to fit and hang perfectly, cut in good styles on full plaited models.

ONE STYLE is made of striped panama; in colors, blue and black; cut on a full plaited model and trimmed with self buttons.

ANOTHER STYLE is a panel plaited effect made of Scotch skirting; has a graduating panel down the front and cluster plaited all around. The plain colors are made of panamas.

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Careful Attention Given to All Mail Orders

Gas Heaters

We have just put in a full line of Gas Heaters

New Stock

They are just the thing to take the chill off these cold mornings.

Come in and see them.

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SHOULD ATTACK WALL STREET

Says Congressman Gaines In Criticising Adjournment Over the Christmas Holidays.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The senate today passed a resolution suspending during the year 1907, the requirement that miners shall do at least $100 worth of work annually during the period in which their claims are being perfected.

Senator Cullom introduced a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution limiting the terms of the president and vice president, to six years and prohibiting a re-election for a second term.

A number of other bills and resolutions were introduced. After being in session forty-five minutes the senate today adjourned until January 6.

A bill providing security to depositors of banks and for the prevention of hoarding of currency was introduced today by Senator Owen of Oklahoma. It fixes a tax upon all deposits and from the fund thus created provides for the payment in full of all depositors when a bank is declared insolvent. The secretary of the treasury is directed to maintain a fund of $100,000,000 in treasury notes which may be loaned upon bonds to 90 per cent of their value.

The bill provides that advances from it shall be charged for at the rate of 6 per cent for the first four months and thereafter the rate of 8 per cent.

Senator Burkett re-introduced his grazing bill of last session. It provides for the leasing of the public domain to cattle owners for the maintenance of their stock, giving, however, settlers the right to enter to locate upon the lands at any time.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—After being in session about twenty minutes the house of representatives adjourned today until January 6th. The proceedings were enlivened by a brief, but fierce speech by Gaines of Tennessee, who criticised the house for its inaction and for taking such a long recess at a time "when we should have gone to Wall street and throttled the thieves and turned back to the honest people their hard earnings."

Gaines was preceded by Hepburn of Iowa, who protested against what he said was the indiscriminate way in which committees were given authority to sit during the session of the house, thereby causing members to be immune from arrest in case it became necessary to secure a quorum.

Both Representatives Williams and De Armond were on the floor but took no notice of each other.

Railroad Taxes Increased.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Madison, Wisconsin, says:

The Wisconsin state board of assessments last night announced that it had fixed the valuation of the property of the railroad companies in this state at $268,951,500, an increase of $13,111,500 over that of last year. The taxes of the roads during the coming year will be about $2,950,262, an increase of $143,577.

Howard Harris of Waterville is of the opinion that he is one of the most unlucky men in Lycoming county. During the two weeks of the deer hunting season he tramped the woods day after day in search of game, but "nary a deer saw he." On Saturday last he was engaged cutting wood a short distance from his home when a magnificent buck calmly strolled in that direction, stopped within a few feet of the wood chopper, looked at him with what Harris claims was a sarcastic grin, and then started back toward the mountain. — From the Philadelphia Record.

PROGRAM RENDERED AT WALNUT SCHOOL

Teachers and Pupils Will Enjoy Week's Vacation—High Grades Received at Examination.

The Walnut district school, of which Miss Anna Heil is principal and Miss Ethel Gill, assistant, closed for a week's holiday with a delightful program rendered by the pupils. After the rendition of the program W. F. Chandler addressed the pupils in a pleasing manner and a little Santa Claus distributed a Christmas treat. The program consisted of the following numbers:

Song, America, by the school; recitation, Psalm of Life, by the school; recitation, Greetings of Xmas, Charles Faltes dialogue, Mother Goose Xmas Party, by the primary class; song, Santa Claus, by receiving grade; recitation, Old Santa Claus, Lyal Wells; solo, Papa's Letter, Marie Brown; recitation, Poor Grandma, A. Renfro; recitation, Little Three Year Losses, Priscilla Renfro; song, Christmas Carol, by school; recitation, What Girls Love to Do, by fifth and sixth grades; song, Blacksmith, by primary boys; physical culture by school; song, Spelling Class, by primary class; recitation, An Xmas Poem, Ethel Mullis, song, Juanita, by school; song, Holy Night, by primary class; song, Jolly Boys by primary class; recitation, Ralph's Opinion of Grandmother, Freddie Wells; recitation, Nebuchadnezzar, Myrl Stevens; recitation, A Puzzled Dutchman, Edwin Forsberg; recitation, A Boy's Complaint of Lessons, Floyd Brown; dialogue, House of the Hearts, by twelve senior pupils; recitation, I'm Going to Grandma's, Samuel Rasmussen; recitation, Ring Out Wild Bells, Join Le Fevre; song, God Be With You Till We Meet Again, by school.

Those who have attained the average of 90 per cent or above at the last monthly examinations are Ralph Brown, Georgia Gallaher, Wesley Crouch and May Faltes in the ninth grade; Cecil Mullis, Max Wilker and Roscoe Chandler in the eighth grade; Ethel Forsberg and Bertha Rasmussen in the seventh grade; Floyd Brown, Samuel Rasmussen and Ina Crouch in the sixth grade and Lila Morris, Edith Bossert and Louisa Goodenough in the fifth grade. Lila Morris of the fifth grade led the school with a general average of 98 per cent.

Dr. Willson, Patterson block.

TAFT TALKS ABOUT ISLANDS

(Continued from Page 1.)

"and unless some other source of funds or governmental means is found, it will take more than a generation to complete the primary and industrial education of the common people. Until that is done we ought not to lift our guiding hand from the islands.

"I might refer to certain admitted short-comings in the conduct of municipal affairs in the Philippines which, however, should not have the effect of discouraging those who are interested in the experiment. To illustrate this it might be remarked that even in the United States, municipal government has not been altogether a success.

"The result indicates that neither the Filipinos are fitted at once for complete self-government, nor does it justify the view that they may not be made ultimately capable of complete self-government by a gradual extension of self-government, as they may become more and more fit to exercise it."

Taft was asked if, in his opinion, the people were fit for the introduction of the jury system, and if they could be safely permitted to bear arms.

"No, to both questions," he said.

Taft said that he was delighted with the course of the first Philippine assembly and the manifest determination of a majority of its eighty members to pursue conservative coures in dealing with public affairs.

Conservatives Will Control.

"There are, of course," said he, "some members who are likely at times to make speeches containing violent language, but on the whole there seemed to be during our stay in the islands of two or three weeks after the organization of the assembly, an earnest wish that the assembly should show the conservatism which many of us believe exists in the Philippine people, rather than give a weapon to the enemies of the people and popular government by extravagance and useless violence of speech. The conservative course is the more to be commended because there was present in Manila, before the organization of the assembly and all the time I was present Fiske Warren, member of the so-called anti-imperialist party, having its headquarters in Boston. He was present chiefly and solely for the purpose of encouraging the members of the Filipino party to take those steps which would prove to be most embarrassing to the government.

Issue at a meeting of the leaders of the party was taken with Warren by Antonio Regidor, a Filipino patriot, who was for years head of a Filipino junta in London, whence he escaped from Cuba, having been exiled to that island by the Spaniards in 1870. Regidor challenged him to bring documentary proof of his authority to speak on behalf of the Democratic party, which Mr. Warren said would give immediate independence to the Philippines, if returned to power. The proofs were not forthcoming.

"Many of the Filipinos," continued the secretary, "favored theoretically immediate independence without having fully considered what it means, and when they are brought face to face with the issue as a practical matter, they postpone putting the theory into operation to a more convenient time. As a party, immediate importance has no immediate force, but my judgment is that inauguration of the assembly and transfer of real power by giving to the party part of the legislative control of the Christian provinces sobers their leaders with the sense or responsibility, teaches them some of the practical difficulties of government and permits them to take the only course which can vindicate their view of their fitness to govern themselves by exercising that power that has been accorded them in such a way the people of the United States and of the world believe that when greater power is extended they may be trusted to exercise that with equal discretion and conservative common sense. They are now a real part of the government. Nothing can be done affirmatively without the consent of the assembly.

"I do not prophesy that there will not be at times radical action by the assembly which cannot meet the approval of those who understand the legislative needs of the islands. All I wish to say is that the organization and beginning of the life of the assembly have disappointed its would-be critics and have given great encouragement to those who were responsible for its extension of political powers.

"Elections were held while I was in the islands by which governors and the members of the provincial boards were chosen. Party lines prevailed, the total vote exceeded that cast for assemblymen by more than 50 per cent and among those chosen were fifteen nationalists and fifteen progressists. This indicates that the Nationalists victory in the assembly election does not point to a permanent majority of the electors being in favor of immediate independence.

"So far the assembly has not manifested in any way that obstructive character which had been predicted by its opponents."

White House Conference.

A conference lasting for about two hours was held at the White House between President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft tonight at the conclusion of which the secretary stated that his visit was for the purpose of continuing the discussion he had had with the president last night and today. The secretary said also that he was seeking from the president all information possible regarding what had transpired during his absence. Taft announced that after his conference here tomorrow with his political manager, Arthur I. Vorys of Ohio, at which the political situation will be discussed, he will leave for Cincinnati, where he goes in connection with the settlement of the estate of his mother, who died recently. The secretary is one of the executors of his mother's estate.

LET PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT IT.

If you have done a splendid thing
Get on the roof and shout it;
Don't fail to make the folkin ring,
Let people know about it.
Don't merely sit around and wait
For other men to sound your praise;
They'll never know that you are great
Unless the hubbub which you raise
Convinces those who doubt it.

If you have talent don't neglect
To draw attention to it;
Don't wait in silence and expect
That some one else will do it;
Get out and boost; a few may say
That you are oversupplied with gall,
But don't forget that even they
Will, talking of you, after all,
Bring notice to you through it.
—From the Chicago Record-Herald.

COMMISSION NOW HAS THE EVIDENCE

But It May Be a Long Time Before Anything Is Done In the Matter of Punishing Rebaters

(Special to the Republican.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21. — The state railroad commission has just received from the interstate commerce commission a transcript of the testimony taken before Commissioner Lane at the hearings held in California. The testimony was sent for that the commission might apprise themselves of what had been going on in their ballwick in the way of rebating and discrimination.

No information is vouchsafed as to how soon the commission may be expected to take action. It has been announced by Commissioner Loveland that the testimony will have a thorough going over to ascertain if it furnishes any basis for steps against the railroads. Attorney General Webb's opinion will be asked.

It will probably take a long time before the situation will be cleared for action, if matters are to go through the ordinary channels of state officialdom. A spur will be afforded, however, by the new traffic association. But Francis J. Heney is its attorney and he will be busy for some months with the graft cases. So the outlook for an immediate beginning of the fight is not of the brightest.

MEXICAN REVOLUTIONISTS ARE HELD TO ANSWER

Will Be Tried In Arizona Court on the Charge of Violating the Neutrality Laws.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—The three Mexican revolutionists, Ricardo Flores Magon, Antonio Villareal and Librado Rivera, who have been in jail here since August 23, were today held by United States Commissioner Van Dyke to answer to the territorial court at Tombstone, Ariz., on the charge of instigating a military movement against the government of Mexico in violation of the neutrality laws of the United States. Each was held in bail for $5000, which was not furnished, and they were remanded to jail. Their attorneys announce that they will resist their removal to Arizona in every possible way and that if unsuccessful here the fight will be continued in the Arizona courts. They profess to fear a plot to spirit the men across the border line into Mexico and shoot them for their alleged offenses. The cases have attracted wide attention and have been fraught with repeated sensations.

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BY DR. W. W. CRAYCROFT.

Will You Enjoy Your Christmas Dinner?

The answer to this question in a vast number of cases would depend upon the condition of your teeth. Diseased and decaying teeth will not allow proper mastication of the food and that means both inability to enjoy meals in the eating thereof, and distressing indigestion after eating. You can get along better without almost any organ of the body other than the vital organs, than you can without teeth. Do not neglect your teeth or you will pay a more drastic penalty than for neglect of almost any other part of the body. Toothache is always regarded as one of the most unbearable pains that afflict the human body, and it is a pain that can be avoided in every instance by giving the teeth proper care and attention. My prophylactic treatment will arrest and prevent tooth decay, and it is the only process known to dentistry that will accomplish this very necessary and desirable result. I will examine your teeth at any time free, and will not charge you any more for dental work that you may be in need of than you will be willing to pay for the high-class work that I execute. Come and see me in time and I will place your teeth in good condition for your Christmas dinner.

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THE CONTEST

The Republican's big circulation contest closed last night in a blaze of glory. A full account of the votes and winners appears elsewhere. This contest has been a success from every possible point of view. Perhaps the most gratifying feature of the success is the absolute satisfaction and good feeling which prevails among the contestants and their friends. There is little disappointment and no bitterness at any part of the result. All the contestants recognize that they received a "square deal," and that the prizes were awarded in exact proportion to the results attained. The exact plan announced at the beginning of the contest was carried out without change to the end, and every subscription received was credited with exactly the same number of votes as every other subscription, no matter by whom presented or at what stage of the contest. This absence of the usual devices of offering extra votes to stimulate work during the lagging period of the middle of the contest has provoked much favorable comment.

The results of the contest are decidedly satisfactory. While the financity flurry which came on during the middle of the contest interposed a substantial and unexpected obstacle, the purpose of the contest was fully attained. The primary object of the contest was to pass the 10,000 mark in circulation. The "run" this morning is 11,000 papers, but this includes some Sunday extras. The regular daily circulation is now 10,600, which is safely above the goal set. In addition to this, the collections of advance subscriptions, amounting to many thousands of dollars, during a time, that, when cash was supposed to be scarce, is of course a decided advantage. The Republican is more than satisfied with the results, and is especially gratified to know that the contestants and the public are satisfied also.

ILLOGICAL OBJECTIONS

Perhaps the best evidence that Secretary Taft is the logical candidate for president is the thoroughly illogical character of all the arguments against him.

Consider a few of them:

Certain of the returned soldiers and civilians from the Philippines complain of Secretary Taft because as governor of the Philippines he established a government more strongly centralized and autocratic than Americans are accustomed to, and because he ran that government for the benefit of the Filipinos, instead of the American residents. Both of these complaints are natural enough, from the individuals who were put to personal disadvantage by reason of them, but, somehow, nobody in this country gets excited over them. It is perfectly evident that if the Philippines were to be governed at all it had to be by a government much more firm and summary than any to which we are accustomed at home. Our natural instinct for government makes us able to get along under a loose-at-the-ends administration which leaves us largely to look out for ourselves. That sort of administration, which only guarantees individual liberty here, would mean anarchy in the Philippines. So a stricter government, more or less autocratic, and continuing some of the old Spanish laws to which the people were accustomed, was established instead. It worked well, and has given the Filipinos more peace, more prosperity and more freedom, in ten years, than any other Oriental nation has ever yet attained. But naturally the American, caught in the meshes of that sort of government, longed for the more easy-going ways of America. Yet, by a strange illogic, when Governor Taft told them that if they preferred the ways of the old home, the best way to get them was to go back there, they were angry.

It is natural, too, for Americans who went to the Philippines to fill public office or exploit business, and then found Filipinos preferred, to them whenever it was possible, to feel sore. Yet that is exactly the policy Governor Taft was sent to the Philippines to carry out, under express instructions of President McKinley and with the full approval of the American people. The American people who remained at home believe in that policy. If those who went to the Philippines did not like it, they were properly and cordially reminded that the conditions they wanted were readily attainable—back in the States. Which was quite right.

Certain professional labor leaders are trying to oppose Taft because, as a judge on the bench, he decided the law to be what it undoubtedly was and is. The fact that Judge Taft's decisions were in the line of sound precedents, when made, and that they have been universally followed since, shows that the law is exactly what Judge Taft decided it to be. But because these labor leaders wish the law were otherwise, they affect to think that Judge Taft should have changed it, by his decisions. They are not able to stir up any excitement among the real laboring men over so false an issue.

Perhaps the most absurd objection of all is an appeal to anti-Catholic prejudice. Secretary Taft, of course, is not a Catholic. We fail to see that it would be any discredit to him if he were, but it happens that he is not. He did deal with the Pope, to buy the friar lands, which had been the chief bane of the Islands. He did prefer the interests of the priests, who are the religious leaders of the Islands, rather than those of the friars, who were its petty tyrants. And he has always recognized the Catholic religion as a Christian religion, which some Protestants are too narrow to believe, and he has made it no part of his business to interfere with the religion of these Catholic Christians. From every sensible standpoint, all this is entirely to Governor Taft's credit. Those who seek to use it against him are attributing small intelligence to those to whom they appeal.

We have at various times printed arguments in favor of Secretary Taft which seemed to us strong ones. But there is no argument for him so strong as the weakness of these arguments against him.

SADLEIR MADE A SACRIFICE

Upon the Altar of His Affection for J. Dalzell Brown.

Out of the tangle and scandal and sordid revelations of thievery made by the collapse of the California State Deposit and Trust Company, says the Examiner, there rose up yesterday the skeleton of a story full of possibilities of a great drama.

It revolves around the strange friendship of J. Dalzell Brown and T. Otway Sadlier, the man who gave up his life when he failed to rescue Brown from the city prison. It reveals the real motive for the suicide of Sadlier and shows the victim of the collapse as a man who was willing not only to take his own life, but to make himself a thief to help his friend.

Here is the story as it is told by the few men who have heard it and who have sworn for the sake of the man who is dead to keep their secret as long as they could:

When the crash came that pulled down J. Dalzell Brown and Walter J. Bartnett and forced them into cells in the city prison, no man was more surprised that T. Otway Sadleir, who for more than a generation had been the close friend of the banker who had fallen into disgrace.

Sadleir, as soon as he had recovered from the first shock of the news, set to work to secure bail for Brown. That he found an almost impossible task. All the bail which he could secure legitimately was insufficient to secure the liberty of his friend.

Distracted, Sadleir thought, so the story runs, of the mass of bonds and securities in the vaults of the bank. As manager of the West End branch of the bank Sadleir had access to those vaults. It would be an easy matter for any one who could enter them to secure as many of these securities, such as they were, as he desired.

J. Dalzell Brown was arrested on the evening of December 6th. On the Tuesday following, December 10th, securities to the value of $150,000 were extracted from one of the vaults of the bank. That same day Sadleir visited Brown in his celf in the city prison. And when Sadleir left Brown had securities in his possession on which he might make another effort to secure his liberty.

On that same day, according to the men who tell this story, Norton C. Wells, manager of the Fillmore-street branch of the bank, visited Brown in his cell. His visit followed that of Sadleir.

From Brown's cell in the city prison, Norton C. Wells went to the office of Paul N. Nippert, general agent on this coast for the Aetna Indemnity company. To Nippert, Wells is declared to have said:

"I have $150,000 of good securities. Will you accept these and issue a bond of your company to get Mr. Brown out of jail?"

Mr. Nippert asked that the securities be left with him until the next morning that he might look into their value. Next morning, on December 11th, Mr. Nippert was down in the financial district to learn the value of the securities, when, according to the story, Wells again went to his office.

Wells was agitated, and Nippert's clerks telephoned around town to find him and the securities. When Nippert was eventually found Wells secured the return of the securities he had given him the night before.

It was that morning that T. Otway Sadleir was found dead in the little room behind his office on Devisadero street.

BROTHER OF ASSASSIN HOUNDED BY POLICE

Joseph Czolgosz Is Victim of Name Borne By McKinley's Murderer.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21. — Joseph Czolgosz, a brother of the assassin of President McKinley, secured a warrant today from the city prosecutor for the arrest of a junk dealer who cheated him out of a $10 stove. He told the officers that he has a hard time getting along because everyone tries to beat him and "do him up" in every way possible because of the stain on the name he bears.

"My brother's deed has been a curse upon our family and is hourly bringing suffering on the innocent," said Czolgosz. "Every place I go I am hounded by the police. They arrest me as soon as I get in town, and when I am released they watch me. My father, another brother and myself honored McKinley and cast our votes for him. We would do the same thing again if we had the chance. It was through me learned of the president that my brother killed him, for he was insane. We have all the respect and love for our country that any citizen could have, but our name has been put in disgrace, and nearly every day I am asked to prove that I am not a criminal."

AUSTRIANS WARNED NOT TO EMIGRATE TO UNITED STATES

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—Official and other warnings against emigration to America are beginning to bear fruit. Telegrams from Trieste report that the steamship Gerty of the Austro-American line has abandoned her trip to New Orleans on account of the absence of steerage passengers. The Cunarder Caronia, which had 3000 emigrants booked, took only 300, while the Carpathia, due to leave Fiume today, having only fifty steerage passengers, postponed her voyage and sent the fifty emigrants to Liverpool.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Steamship agents say that the great rush of steerage passengers bound for Europe is practically over. Few tickets have been sold for the ships sailing next week.

DEADLOCK OVER PROPOSED TUNNEL

Government Demands Concessions for Fort Mason Which Railroad Refuses.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21. — At a conference yesterday between Southern Pacific officials and army officers representing the government, all negotiations regarding the tunnel under the Fort Mason military reservation practically were declared off. Secretary T. Cary Friedlander of the Merchants' Exchange, who was present, declares the deadlock is caused by a demand which the government virtually makes it shall receive a perpetual rebate on all government goods shipped into the reservation.

The government was represented by Quartermaster-General Major Williamson, Captain Chatham and Colonel Biddle. General Superintendent of Construction William Hood and Vice-President E. E. Calvin were present for the Southern Pacific. Captain W. C. Payson and Warren Olney, Jr., represented the Santa Fe and the Western Pacific respectively. Thomas Magee of the board of supervisors, T. Cary Friedlander, President Laumeister of the Merchant's Exchange and B. L. Cadwalder of the real estate board were present on behalf of the mercantile interests.

For over a year negotiations have been hanging fire and yesterday it was believed that with a consultation among representatives of all interests involved, a plan would be adopted and orders for the work issued at once. It developed, however, that as recompense for the privilege of boring underneath Fort Mason and laying spur tracks to the proposed warehouses and docks along the water front of the reservation, the government demanded that the Southern Pacific company do all necessary switching free of charge. This charge amounts to about $2.50 per car and in the course of a few years would amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

T. Cary Friedlander said: "For the first five or ten years the railroads will haul about five cars into the reservation to every one on trucks outside the reservation. If the government pays no switching charges it would force the company to tax that outside car for enough to make up the difference. This will be a tax on the merchants and manufacturers who might locate along North Beach. They would be called on to pay double or triple in order that the government might secure its shipments free of the switching charge."

In other words, according to Friedlander, the government wants a perpetual rebate.

The project as outlined a year ago was to build a tunnel and deep cut across Fort Mason reservation from Van Ness avenue to Lyon street, from the line of Beach street. Spur tracks were to be built to the proposed site of warehouses and docks which were projected mainly for the improvement and use of the transport service.

FAKE WIRE TAPPERS PUT UNDER ARREST

OAKLAND, Dec. 23.—Ed. M. Howard and James J. Clark, alias Davis, alias Brooks, both of San Francisco, were arrested by the Oakland Police yesterday on the charge of having tried to swindle A. J. Barnes, a recent arrival from New York, out of $5000 by the "fapped wire racing news" game, and their arrest is due to the fact that Barnes communicated with Captain of Detectives Petersen immediately after having had the first interview with the swindlers.

Barnes is a capitalist and has made his home at 563 Ninth street. On Wednesday afternoon Howard called on Barnes on the pretext that he believed Barnes to be his brother-in-law. Not being able to prove relationship, he casually unfolded to Barnes a scheme whereby a great sum of money could be made quickly through the investment of $5000.

Howard said he had a friend who was very close to the manager of the racing department of the Western Union Telegraph company. Their plan was to tap the wire from the race track and thereby be in position to get advance news on the results of the races, with the object of making "sure thing" bets. A meeting was arranged at a local cafe for the next morning and at Fillmore and Ellis streets in San Francisco in the afternoon.

After this interview Barnes went to the city hall and reported the affair to Captain Petersen.

Detective McSorley was sent with Barnes to meet Howard and arrested the latter. He was then sent to San Francisco and found Clark at the trysting place at Ellis and Fillmore streets, placed him under arrest and brought him to Oakland.

An investigation revealed that the two had fitted up a small house near Colma with electric apparatus that would enable them to give an imitation of receiving telegraphic messages for the benefit of a possible victim. The apparatus had no actual connection with any wire outside.

It was the intention to "receive" bogus messages purporting to come from the race track, take the victim's money and go out to place it with near-by bookmakers, but fail to return, well knowing that the victim would not dare to report having been connected with so crooked an enterprise.

A writ of habeas corpus was obtained from Judge Melvin date this afternoon for Clark, returnable at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

STARVING MAN JAILED FOR STEALING MILK

SEATTLE, Dec. 21.—Thirty days in the County jail was the sentence meted it today to Albert Bittle as punishment for stealing a bottle of milk worth 7 cents. Bittle declares that he was starving and that he had had nothing but a few crusts of bread to eat for two days. This morning he saw the milk in the doorway of a restaurant and could not overcome the demands of his hunger and took it, intending to drink it as he ate a crust of bread he had in his pocket.

Just as he was about to take a drink from the bottle he was hailed by a policeman and in his fright he dropped the bottle without having had a drop of the fluid.

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SCANDINAVIAN NOTES

The liberal student club, the "Verdandia," of the University of Upsala, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary the first of December. Some of the foremost Swedish writers, scientists and politicians were present. The radical professor, Herr Gervall, spoke about the hypocrisy in the Swedish schools of higher learning. The novelist, Gustav af Geijerstam, spoke about radicalism and liberalism in literature and said that all Scandinavia was under the influence of the Danish critic, Brandes. Brandes had by his lectures at the University of Copenhagen again brought new life into the literary production of the three Northern countries.

The Scandinavian Christmas book market produced this year four important works of great and lasting importance.

The sudden appearance of Henrik Ibsen's "Epical Brand" has caused much interest in all literary countries. It has long been known that there existed a manuscript of the famous drama "Brand" in a purely epic form. Ibsen has told to his biographer, Henrik Jaeger, that he originally planned Brand as an epic poem but nobody suspected that the dramatist ever finished this poem. The original manuscript was however saved and was discovered by a mere chance. There lived in Rome a Danish artist and sculptor, Pontoppidan by name. He was a collector of old manuscripts and books and rummaged antiquaries for old literary documents. One day he discovered in a small Roman second hand book store a package of manuscripts written in the Norwegian language. He purchased the papers for a trifle of a sum and brought them home to his collection. Here he saw that it was a fair copy of Ibsen's Peer Gynt. Besides there were some rough copies of different poems which Pontoppidan regarded as ordinary rough copies which later had been finished by the dramatist. He communicated his discovery to the Danish novelist, Karl Larsen, who arranged a more exact examination of the documents. Pontoppidan died shortly after, and in his will he bequeathed the Royal Library of Copenhagen with the Ibsen papers. Herr Larsen, who is librarian at the Royal Library, was thus enabled to examine the loose papers and discovered soon that he had before him a finished poem of the drama "Brand." It would of course have been but a literary curiosity—of interest only to literary critics—if the work had been a mere design which the late Norwegian had passed in the waste basket. But now the work turns out to be a completely finished poem, and a work which shows us Henrik Ibsen in the breaking through of his brilliant career. It is a work from the most important period of his life and written with the same flaming idealism which later formed the grand outlines of the drama, "Brand." The book is of special interest to Scandinavians as it is produced during the stormful year of 1864 and is an expression of the indignation of Ibsen when Norway and Sweden left Denmark alone in her struggle with Germany and Austria.

The second book is the third volume of Georg Brandes' "Reminiscences From My Life." It is the epoch making period in his life in the early seventies which Brandes tells about—the years in which he delivered his first lectures at the University of Copenhagen, and in which the two Danish poets, Drachmann and I. P. Jacobsen, launched their first works. The weighty volume is a part of the Danish history of culture, and is on account of the personality of the author a necessary document to those who are interested in the intellectual life of Scandinavia.

Dr. Wilhelm Andersen, at present the most noted Danish critic after Brandes, has just published the first volume of his great work "Tider og Typer af Dansk Aands Historie." (Times and Types in the History of the Intelectual Life in Denmark.) The work is great in its outline. In order to find books which may be compared with it, we must go to "Main Literary Currents" by Brandes and "Everyday Life in the North" by Dr. Troels Lund. The first volume treats the period to the appearance of Ludvig Holberg, and is collected around the name of Erasmus, the great Dutch scientist and philosopher, the greatest champion for the "Humanism" in Europe. How the spirit of the humanistic thinkers also conquered Scandinavia, until it found its most typical expression in Ludvig Holberg, is the contents of the book, which is written in Wilhelm Andersen's elegant style and with deep knowledge of the subject treated.

The fourth and last book is the second volume of "Letters of Alexander Kjelland." The first volume of Kjelland's letters was reviewed in these columns about a fortnight ago. The continuation of this work of the Norwegian master is even more interesting than the first volume. It is not the young and untrained author asking advice from older and more experienced friends and trembling for the judgment of Hegel of the Gyldendahl Publishing company. No, it is the finished, already famous novelist, who gives his views and lashes his contemporaries with his witty sarcasms. Every letter relates about this wonderful man, about his everlasting youthful humor and his radical tendencies, which at every moment offends his concenite old fashioned and perfect conservative finish.

The letters relate about some of the most important periods of Kielland's life—the battle about his stipend as author, the affair with the preacher, Oftedal, and the difficulties which he experienced in getting his comedies produced in Copenhagen. In 1885 Kielland writes to his uncle, the Attache Lang:

"Now I will write to the minister of education, Blix. Listen to me Blix. Before it was the custom that the authors should beg from the great men of the hour. Nowadays they are given fine words, but the great men of the hour let them hunger as before. But the fair damsel, known under the name of literature, is tired of such tricks, and if you don't give me a stipend, Blix, then I will turn my dreadful and powerful pen against you and yours."

When "Three Couples" did not suit the taste of the director of the Royal Theater of Copenhagen, Fru Drewsen received following letter from Kjelland:

"I believe that the comedy is very tempting to the old Parudeur, Fallesen. But imagine my surprise and pity when I heard that Fallesen regarded the play as frivolous. It is the greatest insult that ever happened to the Norwegian language—such misunderstandings of our Norwegian conversation. Just think, I have got a letter from Fallesen wherein he says a replic of mine is raw. (I, the lilly of the valley, raw!) It is because I put the following words int othe mouth of a young man who courts a married woman: 'Jeg er kommen at godt Stykke paa Vej med hende.' It means in Danish something about midwifes, but the meaning is entirely different in Norwegian, it is simply: 'I am making progress, advancing in her favor, etc.'"

To Bjornson Kielland writes:

"My mother's letter gave me the wild idea that I am to be the first burgomaster of my own town. I have through Odmund Vik made inquiries by the minister of interior, Steen, about my chances. But Steen gives me the devil. There must come something more, and therefore I call on the great wizard. You must do something for me. I remember the dark hours when I was without new ideas, and Gyldendahl was cheap. I think on the time when I thought of accepting the editorship of a newspaper—if anybody then had offered me an easy political job and 5000 crowns. But such bad times may come again. * * * It is different if I now get a chance to show what a democratic official means. 'Morgenbladet' may howl so much as it wants. Everybody knows I am not for sale, and I will write as before without quenching."

Kjelland liked to mock over the Danish attempts in the eighties to write good novels. He says to Drewsen, when reviewing the Christmas literature of Denmark:

"But what was there in your dear old fatherland, Denmark? Empty, my friend—silent and empty—only a couple of books on the Norwegian writer, Holberg. Oh what for a triumphant ride I should take—oh what beautiful expletives I should use. How I should force you down on your knees, you old sinner, and make you convess the deep secret of your life, your admiration for Norwegian novels and novelists."

How the World Grows

In a little more than 100 years, according to government figures, the population of the world has grown from 640,000,000 to 1,600,000,000, an increase of 150 per cent. At the end of so many hundreds of centuries, in other words, there were in the world in 1800 only 640,000,000 of persons, and in 106 years, from 1800 to 1906, to this number had been added 960,000,000.

The total commerce of the world in 1800 was about one and a half billions of dollars; in 1906 it was more than twenty billions of dollars. Other figures show that in wealth and the growth of various industrial agencies the increase has been far swifter than that of population.

The over population of the world is not a present menace to the thinkers of today, but the thinkers of a period when there were less than half as many people in the world as there are now, seriously debated the imminence of the catastrophe that the overcrowding of the earth would produce.—Boston Globe.

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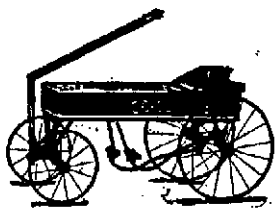
According to our custom never to carry over a single hat, we offer for tomorrow choice of any hat in the house, regardless of cost or value, no matter what it's marked. Choice of any $3.69

In The Toy and Bazaar Section



For today we have made some big cuts on all prices in the Toy and Bazaar Section. We are going to close out every toy by Tuesday night and the prices placed on all of them today will send them out quickly. Be on hand early.

SANT CLAUS WILL BE HERE FROM 2 TO 4

IRON WAGONS

All wrought steel gear, green enameled, red painted body, thoroughly braced:

18 inch, special $1.00
22 inch, special $1.25
24 inch, special $1.75
26 inch, special $2.00
30 inch, special $2.50

STICK HORSES

Tasty designed head, dappled, with 6 inch spoke wheels, special ..... 15¢

SHOO-FLY ROCKERS

Varnished wood, bent rocker ..... 98¢

DOLL BEDS

25x14 inches, woven spring mattress, brass trimmed, with castors $1.75

Drums, 6-in, with sticks, special ..... 20¢

Piano, 6-key, white or mahogany finish ..... 35¢

Games, big assortment, 10c kind ..... 5¢

Mechanical Trains, engine, tender and 2 cars, figure 8 track, complete $1.00

Toy Carpet Sweeper, Bissell's Daisy ..... 29¢

Books, Peter Rabbit, Robber Kitten, Foolish Fry and other wee books ..... 25¢

Crepe Papers, Dennison's Xmas fancy decoration, per fold ..... 20¢

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THE WEATHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—A storm has appeared off the Oregon coast causing the pressure to fall rapidly along the coast from Eureka northward and cloudy weather woth showers over Washington and Oregon and snow in Idaho. Fair weather prevails over the southern half of the Pacific slope. The temperature has risen slightly in all districts. Conditions are favorable for cloudy weather in northern California with showers in the north portion and fair weather in the southern California portion nSunday. Forecast:

San Joaquin valley: Cloudy Sunday, light north wind.

Temperature (dry bulb)	44
Temperature (wet bulb)	42
Humidity	84
Wind E. (mi. per hr.)	4
Maximum temperature	45
Minimum temperature	42
Today's rainfall	0
Rainfall to date	1.54

Fair Sunday; frost in morning.

General Conditions

A crest of high pressue extends across the United States from California to the middle Atlantic coast, with maximum centers over the middle plateau and the Ohio valley, respectively, and cool weather continues throughout the Middle West and the Rocky mountain states. Light snow has fallen from the Ohio valley to northern New England, due to the eastward passage of a shallow barometric depression over eastern Canada. The depression over Utah and Arizona yesterday is now central over Western Texas, resulting in rain or snow over the southern plateau, Kansas, middle Texas, the Gulf and the south Atlantic coast. Snow is still falling at Amarillo, Texas. An area of low pressure is moving eastward from British Columbia along the Canadian border, causing rain or snow in Oregon, Washington, and western Montana. Conditions are favorable for fair weather at Fresno and vicinity tonight and Sunday, with frost Sunday morning.

J. P. BOLTON, Official in Charge.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

See Holland's Display ad for Xmas suggestions.

Dr. Aten, dentist.

Dr. Howard, dentist.

Dr. Thomas, dentist.

Dr. Glasgow, dentist.

Dr. Cowan, Forsyth Bldg.

Xmas trees K and Fresno.

Dr. Wilson, Patterson Blk.

Oak Shaving Parlors, 1055 I st.

Mrs. M. Shimming, the florist.

Miss Siebert, florist, 1150 I St.

See Model Bakery ad on page 5.

Dr. Gilbert, dentist, Green Bldg.

Dr. O. B. Doyle, Land Co. Bldg.

Ask for Danish Creamery butter.

Dr. Cockrill, dentist, Patterson block.

Kate Parsons florist, 1913 Fresno St.

For the swell elegant hack Main 313.

Rembrandt Studio, 1156 I street, Fresno.

Reiffle, dentist, Union National Bank Bldg.

Dr. Chappell, Osteopath, Forsythe Bldg.

Dr. W. W. Craycroft, dentist. Main 1445.

Fixtures for sale at the Broken Dollar store, 1915 Tulare St.

Lawn dressing and sheep manure at Roeding's, 1225 J Street.

Christmas presents for men at Nyman Levy's, 1936 Mariposa St.

Phone Main 579 for Benham's ice cream. Factory open all winter.

Have your yard cleaned by the Fresno Scavenger Co. Phone Main 524.

For Christmas trees call at Fancher Creek nurseries' sales yard 1215 J Street.

You will have good eyesight if you wear Dr. Kearns' glasses. 2036 Mariposa.

Hughes Hotel Grill is first class and very popular. Music every evening and after theater. Tables reserved.

Rev. C. A. Munn will preach at National Colony at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Sunday school will be held at 2 o'clock.

A seven roomed house with three lots and fine shady lawn for sale at 748 N St. Inquire at room 307, Land Co. building.

Holiday furnishings for men, bath robes, suit cases, reefers, handkerchiefs, neckwear, suspenders, hosiery, at Nyman Levy's.

The funeral of the late Captain John G. morning from his late residence, corner of Second and Washington avenues, Peters' addition.

The Ministerial Union will hold a meeting at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for the purpose, largely, of transacting business in connection with the Torrey revivals.

At the Cumberland Presbyterian church this evening Rev. Dwight E. Potter of Oakland will occupy the pulpit. The pastor's subject at the morning service will be "The Christmas Gospel." Special Christmas music by the choir.

The examination of applicants for certificates as teachers will begin tomorrow at the Hawthorne school building, continuing on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and again on Monday, the 30th. It is hoped to conclude them on the last named day.

Funeral services over the remains of Captain John G. Dawes, an aged pioneer, who died at his home at Washington and Second streets Friday, will be held at his late residence at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Interment will be made in the Mountain View cemetery.

The Local Union of Young People hold a union meeting this evening at the First Presbyterian church. Mrs. Davis, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, will have charge of the meeting, and Miss Bowen of the First Christian church will have charge of the singing.

Mayor Lyon will go to Oakland tomorrow to spend Christmas at home with the old folks and while at the bay will call in San Francisco on Manager Duval of the underwriters of the Pacific to arrange a time for taking up the discussion of the lowering of the rates of insurance in Fresno, probably for some later day next week.

Mayor Lyon has written to Mayor Turner of Merced that this city will lend it a steam fire engine if Merced will pay for the services of the crew, subject to the permission of the fire commission and if this offer is accepted a special meeting of the commission will be called to grant the permission. Otherwise Merced will have to look for a borrow to Stockton city, which has two reserve fire engines.

DIED

DUGGAN—Near this city, December 19, 1907, John Duggan, aged 63 years.

The funeral was held from A. H. Hopkins' undertaking parlors yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was made in Mountain View cemetery.

HUBEL—Near Fresno, December 21, 1907, James Hubel, a native of New Jersey, aged 78 years.

The remains will be shipped at 10:40 o'clock this morning to North Platt for interment.

BORN

NILMIER—In Fresno, December 19, 1907, to the wife of Adam Nilmier, a son.

Freeman's Oyster Cocktail for families, 30 cents a dozen. California oysters, 60 cents a hundred. Free delivery. Depot 1805 J. Phone Main 136.

TRIES TO DESERT WOMAN IN CRISIS

Man Runs When Couple Are Arrested for Adultery.

Roy Bailey and Myrtle Allen of Bakersfield Speedily Captured By Local Officers.

Roy Bailey and Myrtle Allen were arrested about midnight last night at 733 R street by Officers Cronkhite and Drenth on charges of adultery preferred against them by the woman's husband, Frank Allen of Bakersfield.

The woman deserted her husband in Bakersfield last September, taking with her their 2-year-old son. It was for the purpose of recovering the child that the distracted father left his position in a Bakersfield bank and started on a search for his wayward wife that has occupied three months of his time and resulted in the finding of his son last night.

Several days ago he learned that a couple answering the description of Bailey and Mrs. Allen were seen boarding a south-bound train at Oakland. Yesterday morning the police department were furnished with a description of the erring ones and Officers Cronkhite and Drenth were detailed on the case.

Late last night they located their quarry out near the Santa Fe roundhouse and, armed with a warrant for their arrest, surprised them in dirty, ill-furnished rooms where they had been living for some time as man and wife.

While Mrs. Allen was getting ready for the trip to the county jail, Bailey dodged into the dark kitchen, through the rear door and leaping the fence started on a run for the Santa Fe round house, leaving the sobbing, broken-hearted woman to face the charge alone.

Before Officer Cronkhite reached the rear porch, the fleeing man was half way across the two lots that separate the house and the railroad. He heeded the command to halt. Bailey has been firing on a Santa Fe switch-engine, and said when he was brought back and safely handcuffed that he was only going over to the round-house to be excused from duty today.

The boy, a chubby little fellow, seemed to be delighted to see his father and permitted himself to be awakened, dressed and taken out into the cold night air without a single expression of displeasure. Neighbors say that the woman has treated the child cruelly since her residence here and often have they been tempted to call attention of the humane officers to the case.

It was her custom, they say, to lock the child in a room and spend the day riding around in the yards on the engine with Bailey.

RACE BETWEEN NEWPORT AND MABEL C POSTPONED

The big pacing race between Newport and Mabie C., scheduled to be run off at the track this afternoon, in which lady drivers were to handle the horses, has been called off, on account of the poor condition of the track. The rains of the last few days have made the track so heavy that it would be impossible to run a fair race as it is now. The race is now on for New Year's Day, at which time it is hoped the track will be in passable condition.

PERSONAL MENTION

Miss Lillian Hollingshead of West Park left this morning for Chico where she will spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

J. S. Harness of San Francisco is visiting Mrs. John Reed, his sister.

Miss Cora Wallace of Selma left yesterday morning to spend the holidays visiting friends in San Jose.

Operation for Chronic Hiccoughs.

What is said to be the first operation of its kind in medical history has just been performed at St. Luke's hospital in this city. It is an operation o na tumor in the stomach to cure chronic hiccoughs. The patient had suffered from chronic hiccoughs for two years.

It was discovered that the hiccoughs were due to the irritation of a tumor at the lower opening of the stomach.

The surgeons allowed the tumor to remain, but closed the natural opening of the stomach and cut a new passageway into the intestines. The doctors say that the tumor will pass away now that it is not irritated by the passage of food. New York American.

Sheepdogs for Household Pets.

Sheepdogs of the old English breed are coming into favor as household pets, says the manager of a London shop in which birds and animals are sold. He expects that the sale of the dogs will form a big item of business, as the department is one of the most popular in the store. A woman who has just bought a dog says that they are desirable only for winter companions, as it makes one warm just to look at their shaggy gray coats. Sitting up in automobiles, the dogs are hard to distinguish from the rest of the party, whose motoring coats often have much the same effect.—New York Press.

Wine Aged by Electricity.

The wine merchant turned a switch, and a strong electric current shot through the cask of wine.

"That is this autumn's wine," he said, "and it is sweet, harsh, rough—in a word, a nasty new wine. Well, in a few days it will be smooth and fragrant, in a few days it ill be eight years old.

"We age ine by electricity now," he explained. "Wonderful thing, electricity, isn't it? It grows fruit, it rejuvenates people, and now, by jingo, it ages wine."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

COFFEE

What is essential to good coffee?

Good bean ground fresh, and a woman of common sense.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best; we pay him.

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The good things that make up the merry Christmas dinner at the

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Butternut, the purest of bread. Genuine home-made Fruit Cake. The Boston taste to our cakes is the talk of the town.

Big, fat, home-made Mince Pies. Pumpkin Pies that cause you to belong to the Smiling Club.

Visit the store and select from the choice variety of home-made cakes—the one for your Christmas dinner.

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SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE CHURCHES

First Methodist Episcopal — Corner Tuolumne and M streets, Rev. Charles Coke Woods, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; preaching by pastor at 11 a. m.; class meeting at 12:30 p. m.; junior league at 3 p. m.; epworth league at 6:15 p. m.; preaching services at 7:30 p. m. There will be special music, appropriate for the Christmas season, at both morning and evening services.

First Presbyterian—Corner M and Merced streets, Rev. Thomas Boyd, pastor; preaching at 11 a. m., by Rev. Dwight E. Potter; evening subject, "What Christ Brought to Earth."

First Church of Christ, Scientist — 2027 Merced street. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; services at 11 a. m., subject, "Christ Jesus."

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal south —Corner L and Fresno streets, Rev. J. E. Moore, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; subject for morning, "Why Every Man in Fresno Does not Observe the Anniversary of Christ's Birth." Boy's league at 3:30; girl's league at 3:30; senior league at 6:30; preaching at Temperance colony at 2:30 p. m.

Cumberland Presbyterian, Loyalist—Services for the present in the Advent church, corner O and Mariposa, Rev. J. F. Jopling, pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; prayer meeting Thursday at 7 p. m.; preaching next Sunday by Rev. W. Compton, the pioneer minister of the church.

German Lutheran—Corner L and Ventura streets. Sunday school at 9:15; services at 10:30; Christmas services as follows: Christmas eve at 7:30; Christmas day at 10:30 and 5 p. m.; Christmas tree for Sunday school. Also services on the 26th at 7:30 at which Rev. W. Grunow of Visalia, will preach.

First Baptist—Corner Merced and N streets, Arthur Polk Brown, pastor, 1244 O street. 9:45 a. m. Bible Sunday school, 11, special music by Baraca Men's chorus; sermon by Arthur W. Rider, of Oakland, Cal., 3; Memorial Sunday school at chapel, corner Davis and Howard streets, 6:30 p. m.; intermediate society meeting, led by Miss Pederson, with report of contesting sides for the membership prize, 7:30 p. m. Great missions rally of all the Baptist churches and missions of Fresno.

Swedish Mission—Corner Silvia and P streets, Rev. L. G. Borg, pastor. Sunday school, at 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.; evening services at 7:30 o'clock. Early meeting Christmas morning, 5 a. m. On the evening of Christmas day there will be a Sunday school festival at 7 p. m.

Congregational—Corner Inyo and K streets, Charles N. Queen, pastor; topics for sermons are, "The Modern Meaning of the Birth of Jesus," and "Guarded by the Angels;" special music will be rendered by the choir. The Sunday school Christmas exercises will occur on Monday night.

Cumberland Presbyterian—Corner N and Tulare streets, Rev. Duncan Wallace, pastor. Special music at both morning and evening services, with regular preaching by the pastor.

First Armenian Presbyterian—Corner J and Santa Clara streets, Rev. J. B. Haygooni, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; preaching at 2:45 p. m. There will be a Christmas sermon and music. The Lord's supper will be administered and new members will be received. C. E. society will meet at 5 p. m.

Our Savior's Danish Lutheran — J. Johansen, pastor, residence, 204 J street. Services in the church on Elm avenue at 10:15 a. m. Christmas services will be held in the Elm avenue church on Christmas day at 10:15 a. m., and in the Houghton school house at 3:30 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY WILL PROVIDE 600 DINNERS

Donations Should Be Sent to Chance Hall In Care of Lieutenant Hamilton.

The Salvation Army is preparing to give six hundred Christmas dinners to the poor of Fresno, including a banquet in Chance hall to three hundred people and three hundred basket dinners to be sent to needy families, each basket containing a chicken and enough groceries to cook a dinner for a family of five.

A Christmas tree and entertainment will be given to a hundred children on Christmas eve in Chance hall.

Donations of goods for the army will be thankfully received by Adjutant Minnie T. Bryant and Lieutenant Hamilton at Chance hall. As the local branch of the army was unable to provide a Thanksgiving dinner, those in charge solicit the aid of the public. Contributions have been coming in rapidly during the past week and the success of the Christmas dinner is assured.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PERFECTS ORGANIZATION

The young ladies' class of the Sunday school of the First Baptist church met at the home of their teacher, Mrs. H. E. Wilkinson, 1116 P street, Friday evening for the purpose of perfecting an organization of the class. Officers were elected, committees appointed and the general work of the class was discussed and outlined. A social hour was most enjoyably spent, after which delightful refreshments were served.

Those present were: Misses Muttie Bonsel, Flora Shepard, Junette Mariner, Bessie Hopper, Lottie Downing, Elma Evans, Rose Smith, Hazel Kniquest, Hazel Kirkner, Lucile Haber, Ina Elder, Pauline Moore, Neva Hays, Mrs. Boswell, Rose Warrick, Alice Warrick, Alice Lambkin, May Shunk, Amy Shunk, Jennie Shunk and Fay Kleeberger.

MARRIAGE LICENSES GRANTED FOUR COUPLES

Marriage licenses issued yesterday, were these:

W. W. Mason, native of Iowa, aged 40, and Bertha Priester, native of Switzerland, aged 32; residents of Fowler.

H. Simonian, aged 35, and Exsapert Sinion, aged 23; natives of Armenia and residents of Fowler.

Ernest S. Myers, native of Illinois, aged 24, and Mrs. Eva M. Maguire, aged 25, native born; residents of Riverdale.

John F. Martin, native of Azores Islands, aged 38, and Mary Fagundes, native born, aged 18; residents of

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Santa Claus Shopping Guide.

Only two more days. Are you ready? If not, here are just the things you need—useful and appropriate articles in which beauty and quality are combined to make them the most acceptable and appreciated Christmas presents. And in the matter of prices—well, you know Einstein's is thoroughly reliable on that score. Come early Monday morning.

Give a Glove Order; it will solve the problem in a minute.

Give a Shoe Order to either "him" or "her." Nothing better.

Stylish Gloves For All

Gloves for "her," for "him," for "sister," for "brother," for "mother," or "father"—Gloves for everybody. The finest and most stylish gloves to be had, and all at reliable prices. If you don't know the size, get a Glove Order.

Ladies' Gloves, our celebrated "Royal" brand, made from the best domestic kid produced; colors tan, brown, castor, gray, black and white; 2-clasp, short. Pair **$1.50**

Ladies' Gloves of the very best quality produced; 3-clasp short; soft finished imported; colors white, pearl, tan, brown, black, mode and castor. Ask for our "Splendid" brand. Pair **$2.00**

Ladies' Gloves, 12-button, made of imported kid of superior finish; Paris point stitching; colors black, brown and tan. Ask for our "Perfection" brand. Pair **$3.50**

16-button length "Perfection" Gloves. Pair ..... **$4.**

Ladies' Gloves, 16-button length cape; a splendid wearing street glove; made from a real heavy imported kid; Paris point stitching. Pair **$4.00**

Rich and Reliable Furs

Stylish Furs—the most magnificent and appreciated gift of all. And if you give an Einstein fur, you give one that is perfect—the very highest quality fur that is possible to procure, and one that is in the height of fashion. And low prices put these reliable furs within the reach of all.

Long Coney Scarf, fine quality; 6 tails **$3.50**

Blended Mink Throw Scarf; very popular and stylish **$5.00**

Brown Opossum Stole; 60 inches long; splendid piece **$10.00**

Japanese Mink Scarf, with tabs and head **$9.00**

Muskrat Scarf, finished with tabs and head; beautiful color **$5.50**

Isabella Fox Scarf; a very beautiful and fine piece **$12.50**

Fox Shawl Scarf, of extra fine quality **$18.50**

Japanese Mink Throw, satin lined; an elegant piece **$30.00**

Muff and Scarf, fine brown coney; very stylish **$5.50**

Opossum Muff and Collar; collar finished with two heads **$12.50**

Child's Fur Set, in ermine; a handsome gift. Only **$3.50**

Child's Collar and Muff in squirrel; rich and beautiful; only **$4.50**

Gifts to Please "Him"

It's hard to find a suitable gift for "him." We know these will please him, and there are hundreds more to choose from if you'll come to our Men's Furnishing Department.

Neckwear, pure silk and exact copies of the latest, exclusive patterns; every shade and color imaginable—the largest assortment of neckwear in Fresno. And only at, each ..... **50¢**

Night Shirt, of finest teazledown flannel; extra heavy weight and double fleeced; large roll collar; pocket; finished with pearl buttons. Only **$1.50**

Pajamas, of very fine quality French flannel; military cut; military standing collar; handsomely trimmed; a fine gift for "him." **$2.25**

High Grade Umbrella, covered with pure taffeta silk; extra well made; fancy Congo handle with German silver swedge; toothpick roll; silk cover. Only **$4.00**

Suit Case of solid calfskin, sole leather corners; English sewed leather handles; linen lined, with shirt fold in cover; beautifully finished. Special at **$10.00**

Lace Curtains and Rugs

Ever think of beautiful Lace Curtains or a fine Rug for a gift? There is nothing grander or more acceptable. A lasting gift that will give the recipient pleasure for a lifetime. Our Rugs and Lace Curtains the the best produced in the world, and our prices are much lower than the ordinary kinds sold elsewhere.

Ruffled Net Curtains, with heavy graceful ruffles; very rich and beautiful ..... **$1.50** to **$7.50**

Arabian Curtains, made of the best French net; beautiful borders and insertion. Prices **$4.50** to **$15.00**

Saxony Rug, reversible; size 9x10 feet **$11.50**

Kaba Rug; wool and fiber; Oriental patterns; 9x12 feet **$15.00**

Other rich rugs, up to **$75.00**

A Great Sale of Silverware Monday and Tuesday

We have just received a case of fine silver plated Spoons and Forks which should have been here in time for our Holiday trade. On account of its late arrival, we will put the entire assortment on special sale Monday and Tuesday at reductions from regular values that are truly remarkable. This ware was made especially for us. It is the very highest grade silver plate ware and is in a beautiful pattern, to be known as our "Sequoia" pattern. It is almost identical to the popular "Vintage" design. Very beautiful and dainty and is **warranted to wear 25 years.** Nothing better for Christmas gifts.

Forks, Table Spoons, Bouillion Spoons, regular value $6.50 a dozen. Per dozen **$5.50**

Tea Spoons, regular value $3.50 a dozen. Per dozen **$2.75**

Absolutely the Best and Lowest Priced Toys In Fresno

And in endless variety.—Everything is here. New novelties not to be found elsewhere. The finest dolls, sturdy wagons, and hand-cars, games—so many things that the children go wild with delight when they see them.

Teddy Bears; a large variety; all colors ..... **60¢** to **$3**

Doll Beds; iron; spring mattress; nicely painted ... **75¢** to **$2.50**

Doll go-cart; willow body; braided edge **$1.25**

Doll go-cart; willow body; braided edge; with parasol **$1.50**

Express wagons; extra strong; nicely finished... **$1** to **$6.50**

Dolls; largest assortment; finest quality; dressed and undressed. Prices extremely low .. **25¢** to **$6.00**

Dress Goods and Silks

Give stylish fabric for a new skirt or gown; beautiful silk for a waist—or make a silk muffler for a gift. Exclusive materials here at ordinary prices.

Plaid silk for waists, yard ..... **$1.00** to **$1.50**

Black silk, for mufflers, yard **$1.00**

Black taffeta silk for skirts, 27 inches wide, yd.. **$1.00**

Peau de Soie, black, for fine skirts, 27 inches wide, yard **$1.35**

Readona cloth, the most fashionable fabric for suits; yard **$1.50**

Broadcloths; the richest grades; all colors; 54 inches wide; yard **$2.00**

Slippers For Everybody

Our holiday selections of Slippers for men, women and children is unsurpassed, and prices are extremely low.

Women's felt slippers, the new "Antoinette" in six colors; ribbon trimming; leather soles; covered heels. Pair **$2.25**

Children's felt slippers, fur trimmed and ornaments; wide toe last. All sizes. Pair **$1.00**

Men's felt Romeos with leather soles. Pair .. **$1.75**

Men's leather slippers, brown and black kidskin Romoes; silk gore; very handsome **$2.00**

Special Sale of Neck Ruffs--- Prices Lowered to Cost for a Quick Clearance

Monday and Tuesday we place on special sale all our chiffon and maline Neck Ruffs at enormous reductions. We intend to not have a one left after Christmas, and in order to accomplish this, prices have been reduced to cost. These Ruffs are very stylish and will make very acceptable Christmas gifts. All colors and black. Don't miss this opportunity.

$2.00 Ruffs reduced to **$1.33**
$2.50 Ruffs reduced to **$1.67**
$3.00 Ruffs reduced to **$2.14**
$3.25 Ruffs reduced to **$2.27**
$3.50 Ruffs reduced to **$2.47**
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$4.50 Ruffs reduced to **$2.97**
$5.00 Ruffs reduced to **$3.19**
$6.00 Ruffs reduced to **$3.88**

Christmas Handkerchiefs

What will please more than dainty Handkerchiefs? And there is no more beautiful collection to choose from than the one here. Exquisite conceits in linen and lace—thousands of them, in every style, and at prices you cannot match

Ladies' fine embroidered Lawn Handkerchiefs, in a splendid assortment of beautiful patterns; each **20¢**

Ladies' Handkerchiefs of imported linen lawn, fine sheer finish, a large variety of dainty patterns to choose from in scalloped and embroidered edges; ..... **35¢**

Ladies' Handkerchiefs of real Irish linen, a large selection of beautiful patterns in allover embroidered, embroidered edges and scalloped edges; each .. **50¢**

Ladies' imported real Irish linen Handkerchiefs, scalloped edges; also embroidered edges; each .... **60¢**

Ladies' Handkerchiefs of real Irish linen, scalloped edges, very beautiful and dainty; each ..... **65¢**

Ladies' all pure linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, many exquisite patterns; each ..... **75¢**

Children's Handkerchiefs, nice quality; put up in pretty boxes with 3 Handkerchiefs in each box; box ..... **25¢**

Men's linen Handkerchiefs, our own importation from Belfast; pure linen, very sheer; initial in corner ..... **25¢**

Men's linen Handkerchiefs of the purest linen at .. **75¢**

Gift Kimonos and Robes

Here are just the things to fill a woman's heart with delight; warm, luxurious Kimonos and Robes—ideal Christmas gifts, and at temptingly low prices.

Dressing Sacques of nice quality ripple eiderdown, crocheted edges; finished with two ornaments Priced at only **$1.50**

Dressing Sacque of ripple eiderdown; collar, cuffs and belt bound with good quality satin. Colors blue and gray **$2.00**

Ripple Eiderdown Sacque of fine quality; collar and cuffs embroidered in white and black and trimmed with fancy braid; front fastened with two silk ornaments; bound all around with satin. Colors red, blue and pink. Price **$3.50**

Long Robe, of beautiful plain eiderdown; collar and cuffs bound with satin; front finished with one ornament; cord girdle. Colors red and gray. Price **$4.25**

Imported Blanket Robe, in dark gray figures; large collar bound with satin; cord girdle; very beautiful **$6.50**

Rich Cut Glass a Fine Gift

You will find in our Crockery Department the most brilliant display of rich cut glass in Fresno. Every piece is from America's best manufacturers and the designs are new and exclusive. And prices are lower than elsewhere.

Handled Spoon Trays; the designs are of surpassing beauty **$4.00**

Salt and Pepper Shakers, beautiful new cuttings: pair **$1.50**

Water Tumblers, set of 6; in the new jewel design **$4.50**

Sugar and Creamer, very dainty and remarkably brilliant. Pair **$3.00**

Spoon Trays, exquisitely cut in the new Saxon design **$3.50**

A Box of Chocolates For a Gift

Will be appreciated, if it is our "Blue Banner" Chocolates. These are packed in dainty Christmas boxes, especially for gifts. "Blue Banner" Chocolates are superior to any other kind—rich, pure and delicious.

½-lb. box ..... **25¢**
1-lb. box ..... **50¢**
2-lb. box **$1.00**

Louis Einstein & Co.
FRESNO'S MOST PROGRESSIVE STORE

High Grade Blankets and Comforts Monday and Tuesday At 10 Per Cent Discount

Santa Claus Shopping Guide.

KUTNER-GOLDSTEIN CO.
THE HOUSE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY

Shop Early

KEEP TO THE RIGHT.
CARRY SMALL PARCELS.
USE A TRANSFER.
PARCELS CHECKED FREE.

Santa Claus holds reception 3 to 4.

Hardware and Grocery departments, 1801 Mariposa, corner H.

Toy and Holiday Goods departments, 1119 I St., between Fresno and Mariposa streets.

Store open evenings on Monday and Tuesday only.

Rhyme Contest closes Tuesday, 24th.

Sterling Silver Articles

Sterling Silver Files 25c
Sterling Silver Shoe Hooks 50c
Sterling Silver Match Safes 65c
Sterling Silver Vases $1.85
Sterling Silver Tea Balls $1.85
Pearl Baby Ring and Rattle 85c
Sterling Cigar Cutters 65c
Sterling Silver Tweezers 50c
German Silver Mesh Bags $6.85
German Silver Card Case $4.85
Sterling Silver Card Cases $12.35
Child's Knife and Fork Set $1.85

Back Combs, Belts and Hand Bags

Jeweled Back Combs, fine horn 50c
Fine Jeweled Combs $1.00
High-grade Jeweled Combs, gold filled, mounting with jade setting ..... $2.50 up
High Back Carved Back Combs 50c
Elastic Studded Belts 50c
Ornamented Elastic Belts $1.00
Novelty Cut Steel Studded Belts $2.00
Fancy Silk Girdles ..... $2.50 to $5.00
Alligator Hand Bags $3.50
Horn Back Alligator Bags, leather lined with claw $5.00
Pin Seal Carriage Bags $5.00
Novelty Envelope Hand Bags ..... $3.00 up.

Leather Goods and Traveling Bags

Gladstone Hand Satchels, of fine pig skin, $8.50 up.
Seal and Walrus Bags, finely made, brass mountings $10.00
Horn Back Alligator Bags, very fine trimmings, up to $25.00
Cowhide Suit Cases in tan and brown, brass trimmings ..... $5.00 up
Traveling Cases, 4 pieces in a leather case... $3.50
Leather Traveling Rolls, nicely fitted $5.00, $7.50, $10.00
Music Rolls and Folders ..... $1.00 up
Leather Writing Pads $1.50

Perfumes, Stationery and Toilet Sets

L. T. Piver's Fine Perfumes 98c
Jergen's Perfumes in neat holiday packages 25-50c
Colgate's Children's Perfume Set, contains 2 bottles perfume and case of soap 25c
Children's Box Paper, decorated 25-50c
Eaton-Hurlbut's Fine Stationery ..... 50c to $5.00
Waterman's Fountain Pens $2.50
Bridge Whist Sets ..... $1.50 up
Elwell on Bridge Whist $1.25
Score Cards, pack 10c, 15c, 25c
Hand Painted Place Cards 5c
Tally Cards, hand painted 5c
Dennison's Holly Cards, each 1c

Candy, Nuts and Oranges

Lowest Prices Ruling in Fresno For Goods of Quality

Xmas Candy, lb. 10c
Mixed Nuts, per lb 17c
Sweet Navel Oranges, dozen 15c 25c
Calimyrna Figs, package 10c
Cluster Raisins in boxes 5 lbs $1.25
Fresh Chocolate Candy, lb 50c
Walnuts, per lb 20c
After Dinner Mints, box 10c
Alabama Conn Chews 25c
Fresh Chewing Chocolates 50c

Men's Furnishings For Practical Gifts

Silk Initialed Handkerchiefs 25c 50c
Men's Fine Neckwear 50c $1.00
Handsome Silk Mufflers ..... $1.00 to $2.50
Novelty Fancy Hose 25c, 35c, 50c
Practical Pajamas, garment ..... $1.00 up
Good Umbrellas, nicely mounted ..... $1.50 up
Pair of Suede or Mocha Gloves .... $1.75 and $2.00
Boxed Holiday Suspenders ..... 50c up
Men's House Coats, plaid trimmed $5.00
Bath or Lounging Robes $3.50
Fancy Vests in the very latest cut ..... $3.50 up
New patterns in Fine Shirts ..... $1.00 to $2.00

Fine Furs and Silk Underskirts For Gifts

Children's Fur Sets ..... $1.50 to $5.00
Women's Fox Boas ..... $5.75 to $20.00
Mink Throws, fine quality $12.50
Isabella Fox Pelerines ..... $20.00 to $25.00
Pillow or Rug Muffs of Isabella Fox with head and tail $20.00
Isabella Fox Pelerines to match with head and Tail on shoulders $25.00
Silk Underskirts of high-grade Taffeta in leading colors and black $4.95
Novelty Silk Petticoats, up to $20.00

Gifts That Women Can Present to Women

Pillow Tops ..... 25c and 50c
Linen Doilies ..... 50c to $1.00
Dainty Hand-Embroidered Corset Cover Patterns ..... $2.50 to $5.00
Dainty Silk Shawls ..... $3.50 up
Ice Wool Shawls ..... $1.00 up
Silk Hosiery, pair $1.25
Novelty Lace Waists ..... $3.95 to $25.00
Automobile Veils ..... $1.75 up
Du Barry Scarfs ..... $1.50 to $5.00
Novelty Neckwear ..... 25c up
Dolge Women's Felt Juliets 89c

Many Books, Girls and Boys

GIRLS BOOKS, 35c.

Mary St. John, Uncle Max, Not Like Other Girls, Our Bessie, Aunt Diana.

65c.

Miss Prudence, Girl of Today, Black Beauty, Daddy's Girl, Merle's Crusade, Rebels of the School.

BOYS' BOOKS, 25c.

The Boy Knight, For the Temple, Truce to the Old Flag, Facing Death, Bonnie Prince Charles, The Young Colonists, With Lee in Virginia.

35c

The Pioneers, Robinson Crusoe, Robin Hood, Jolly Good Times, Little Red School House.

Books For All

$1.50 Copyright Books $1.35

The Weavers
Satan Sanderson
Daughters of Anderson Crew
The Shuttle
Before Adam
The Mayor's Wife

$1.50 Reprint from Copyrights 50c

The Crisis
The Pit
The Conqueror
The Octopus
Raffles

Handkerchiefs and Gloves

Children's Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 in lithographed box 25c
Women's Linen Initialed Hand Embroidered Handkerchiefs 25c
Pretty Barred Linen Handkerchiefs 25c
Fine Sheer Linen Handkerchiefs 50c
Novelty Lace and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, very fine ..... $1.00 up
Linen Handkerchiefs, put up in attractive boxes $2.00
Fine Kid Gloves, pair $1.00
Peerless Kid Gloves, pair $1.50
Pique Seam Kid Gloves, pair $2.00
16-button Kid Gloves, pair $3.75

Gifts of Glittering Glass and Bruges Vases

Celery Trays, fine cut $11.00
Spoon Traps $4.00
Sugar and Creamers $8.50
8-in. Bowls $8.00
Oil Bottles $6.00
8-in. Nappies $4.80
Decorated Bruges Vases with famous Holland scenes and studies of children, in green, white, highest class ware $3.50 to $10.00

Carving Sets, China and Rogers 1847 Silverware

Carving Sets at $3.75

8-in. Scimiter shape wedged fancy silver plated ferrule.

3-piece Carving Set $4.50

Turkish Scimiter shape fork and Lee stag handle.

100-piece Set Haviland China $65.50
50-piece Set of China $36.15
Set of Rogers 1847 Knives and Forks $3.00
Set of Rogers 1847 Coffee Spoons $1.65
Set of Rogers 1847 Tea Spoons $1.65

Linens, Napkins and Sheets Substantial Gifts

Linen Cloths and Napkins to match from ..... $5.00 to $25.00 set
Linen Towels, Huck or Damask, especially fine for gifts, each ..... 25c to $1.35
Embroidered Sheet and Pillow Cases, sets neatly boxed ..... $3.50 and $4.50 set
All Wool Blankets in white, ranging in price from ..... $5.00 to $20.00 pair
Eiderdown Comforts, sateen and silk covers, from ..... $6.75 up to $18.00

Appropriate Gift Items

Albums ..... $1.00 to $10.00
Post Card Albums ..... 25c up
Jewel Cases ..... 50c up
Metal Inkstand Frames ..... 50c up
Gillette Safety Razors $5.00
Shaving Sets ..... $1.00 up
Shotguns and Rifles ..... $7.50 to $25.00
Buggy Robes ..... $5.00 to $20.00
Women's Astride Saddles $20.00
Alice Wool Coats $4.00
Belt Buckles ..... 25c to $5.00
Novelty Jewelry ..... 50c to $10.00
Jeweled Bracelets ..... $3.50 to $10.00

Toys For Girls

Pewter Tea Sets ..... 10c up
Enameled Tea and Coffee Sets ..... 75c up
Doll Trunks ..... 25c to $5.00
China Tea Sets ..... 10c to $10.00
Metallic Doll Beds ..... 75c up
Hardwood Toy Chairs 50c
Red Chairs and Rockers 35c
Teddy Bears with voice $1.25
Teddy Bear Sweaters 20c
Beautiful Line of Dolls ..... 10c to $10.00

Toys For Boys

Baseballs ..... 10c to 50c
Footballs ..... 50c to $2.50
Football Suits $1.50
Iron Wagons ..... $1.00 to $5.00
Hand Cars ..... $3.50 to $6.00
Automobiles ..... $5.00 to $15.00
Velocipedes ..... $1.70 to $7.00
Tin Toys ..... 10c to 50c
Magic Lanterns ..... 50c to $7.50
Tool Chests ..... 50c to $5.00
Snare Drums ..... 35c to $5.00
Set of Ten Pins ..... 25c to $1.00

Games For Young and Old

Diavola 25c, 50c, 75c
Diabolo ..... $2.00 to $5.00
Ring Toss 50c
Aunt Sally 50c
Block 35c
Pit or Flinch 25c
Sherlock Holmes 35c
Teddy Bear 30c
Farmyard Game 25c
Crazy Ball 50c
Madcap 50c
Box Ball 50c
Wall Toss $1.35

Christmas Tree Ornaments

Candles, per dozen 11c
Quantity price to churches or societies.
Tinsel, per garland ..... 20c and 30c
Novelty Glass Ornaments ..... 5c to 25c
A B C Books ..... 5c to 25c
Glass Balls ..... 2 for 5c to 15c
Santa Claus Masks 25c

Redlick's

Santa Claus will be here tomorrow. Bring the children.

Steel Wagon Sale

12 inch all steel wagon ..... **55¢**
18 inch all steel wagon ..... **89¢**
22 inch all steel wagon ..... **98¢**
26 inch all steel wagon **$1.35**
28 inch all steel wagon **$1.98**
32 inch all steel wagon **$2.25**
36 inch all steel wagon **$3.15**

We save you at least a third on these wagons over the prices asked elsewhere.

Special Price Reductions in the Toy Department, Monday and Tuesday

Don't fret and worry over the cost of the toys you must have to please the little ones on Christmas morning. Redlick's will relieve you of all that worry. Monday and Tuesday will be big toy days here. Prices have been lowered especially for these two days. We are determined to sell the bulk of the toy stock now on hand by closing time next Tuesday evening. You can't afford to get your toys away from Redlick's. You can't afford to miss this big chance to save sure money. Our present prices are the lowest in all Fresno. Monday and Tuesday they will be still lower.

We will deliver your purchases whenever you say—any hour of the day or night. Try and get here during the early hours of the morning. You will shop to better advantage. Quick now, if you want to save from one-third to one-half of the money you expect to spend for toys.

Redlick's

Open Monday and Tuesday evenings—Only.

BOOK SALE.

"Main floor, north aisle."

$1.50, $1.00 copyright books, choice **48¢.**

Books by Hornung, Marion Crawford Barr, Ford, Stewart Edward White, Charles Munn and others; all good novels, nicely bound.

50c and 75c cloth bound novels ..... **25¢**

25c and 35c cloth bound novels ..... **12¢**

$7.00 Coasters for $5.95.

A great wagon, "The Pioneer"; rubber tired, steel axles, steel wheels, cog wheel drivers; practically indestructible; only $5.95.

Pioneer Auto Wagons, $5.95.

A good value at $7.00. A self driving; cog wheel drive wagon; automobile body; center steering wheel; gaily painted; strong and well made.

Wheel Barrows, 45¢.

Other stores ask 85c for them. Solid wood, long handles, steel wheel, steel axle; only 45c.

Steam Toys.

If the boy is mechanically inclined get him a steam engine. We show them in all sizes and kinds. Generate enough steam to run other machinery. Prices from **48¢** to **$2.50.**

Go Carts, 59¢.

We will surprise you with the variety and extent of our stock of Go Carts. We show one in all wicker with 7 inch wheels and a long handle, 59c.

The same Go Cart with steel wheels for **67¢.**

24 inch wicker Go Carts with 4 steel wheels; the cart is fancily made. A good $2 value; our price **$1.48.**

15c, 20c Games ..... **9¢**
75c Stone Building Blocks ..... **48¢**
25c China Tea Sets ..... **19¢**
50c Doll Dining Tables .. **39¢**
$1.25 Box Ten Pins .... **98¢**
25c Celluloid Horns .... **22¢**
10c Toy Whips ..... **5¢**
$1.25 Chatter Box Book, **99¢**
25c Story Books ..... **19¢**
15c Picture Books ..... **8¢**
75c China Tea Sets ..... **69¢**
$1.50 Granite Kitchen Sets **$1.13**

$1.50 Enameled Drums **$1.15**
Stuffed Monkeys, new, **$1.25**
$1.25 Air Rifles ..... **79¢**
$2.00 Iron Railroad Trains **$1.79**
50c Tin Kitchen Stove Set ..... **23¢**
75c Magic Lanterns ..... **48¢**
Steel Tricycle, $2 value **$1.48**
$1.50 Kestner Dolls, undressed **$1.39**
50c Dressed Dolls ..... **29¢**
Ideal Target Pistols .... **23¢**

Large, soft Rubber Balls **22¢**
75c Teddy Bears ..... **49¢**

Combination Safes, $1.38.

Double door steel safes, 6x6 inches, combination safety locks; worth $2.00; our price, $1.38.

Magic Lanterns, 48¢.

A good magic lantern with a complete set of slides. Useful and instructive. Put up in a strong box, only 48c. Others up to $3.00.

$1.00 Trombones, 69¢.

All brass; clear tone; long extension. Sells regularly at $1. Our price 69c.

Champagne Bottle Trumpet, 5¢.

Turned wood, enameled label and tin foil top, extra loud reed, only 5c.

Cornet, 29¢.

All brass, 4 keys, good reeds, clear sounds. Sells at 50c elsewhere; here, 29c.

LINEN SETS.

25 Per Cent Discount.

Buy your linen set Monday or Tuesday, and you can save a quarter of the cost to you.

We have a splendid assortment to choose from. High grade linens, Tea Sets, Lunch Sets, Dinner Sets.

$16.00 Sets now **$12.00**
$15.00 Sets now **$11.25**
$10.00 Sets now .... **$ 7.50**
$ 8.00 Sets now .... **$ 6.00**

IMPORTED CURTAINS.

25 Per Cent Off.

The housewife who wants new curtains at a big discount from former prices, will certainly not miss this chance.

Imported Bobinette, Point Lace, Brussels or Arabian curtains in a wide variety of patterns.

$10.00 Curtains, pair .. **$7.50**
$ 9.00 Curtains, pair .. **$6.75**
$ 8.00 Curtains, pair .. **$6.00**
$ 7.50 Curtains, pair .. **$5.63**
$ 6.00 Curtains, pair .. **$4.50**
$ 5.00 Curtains, pair .. **$3.75**

Silk Skirts at $3.95 LAST OPPORTUNITY

There are just enough of these good silk skirts left for Monday's selling.

We are offering good taffeta silk skirts, worth up to $7.50, for only $3.95.

Good rustling silk, full cut, full flare, nice colors, or two toned effects, flounced and ruffled, extra dust ruffle.

$10 Guaranteed Silk Skirts, $7.00.

An exceptional opportunity to get a very elegant silk underskirt, worth every cent of $10, for only $7.00.

The makers absolutely guarantee the good wear of the skirts for three months.

Best of taffeta silk, beautiful color combinations; exceptionally full cut, beautifully flounced; extra dust ruffle. Monday and Tuesday only, choice **$7.00.**

Sateen Petticoats, $1.39.

Really a $1.75 quality. High luster sateen; accordion plaited flounce; two ruffles and under dust ruffle. It's a great value worth getting; only **$1.39.**

$1.50 Short Kimonos, 75¢.

Women's fancy cotton eiderdown short kimonos; Persian and Dresden patterns; some have kimono sleeves and some have tight cuffs; regular price $1.50; special, **75¢.**

100 Suits for Women Worth up to $20 Now for $12.50

These suits represent some of the biggest values of the entire purchases recently made by our New York office.

You won't appreciate the real goodness of this offer until you see the garments. Among them are the stylish two-button cutaway coats, loose box coats and fitted styles; some plainly tailored or with folds around the bottom of the skirts; others in fancy mixtures. There are no plain colors among these sale suits. Sale price **$12.50**

$35.00 Sets for $25.00.

An offer that may not be duplicated again this season. Genuine white iceland Fox furs, consisting of a 45 inch scarf, full and thick silk lined, and a set of muffs of rare beauty. The entire set for **$25.00.**

Isabella Fox Furs, $12.50.

Genuine furs and exceedingly handsome; soft and furry, thick and warm; made with fur on both sides, brush and tails; silk cords and frogs for fastenings; some lined with Dresden silk. Furs worth up to $17.50 for this sale, **$12.50.**

BLANKETS FOR LESS.

Blankets, Comforts, Couch Covers, Pillows, Draperies, are all lower in price today in the drapery store. These brief suggestions illustrate how easily you can save money here:

$3.00 Blankets, $2.19.

Large, full size blankets; very soft and warm.

20c Curtain Rods, 10¢.

Cannot be equaled at this price.

$3.00 Couch Covers, $1.98.

Extra wide and long; handsome Oriental styles.

$1.25 Comforts, 95¢.

Good top and filling.

$1.00 Feather Pillow, 65¢.

Size 18x25; weight 5 lbs. to the pair; A. C. A. ticking.

Dress Goods Prices Are Lower

Brilliantines, rich glossy weave, 42 inches wide; regular 75c grade. Monday and Tuesday, yard ..... **59¢**

Cashmeres, all the leading shades; regular 40c goods. Monday and Tuesday, yard ..... **27¢**

Storm Serges, fast black, firm weave; a good 75c grade on sale Monday and Tuesday for ..... **59¢**

Panamas, fast black, smooth soft finish; 40 inches wide; regular 50c quality; yard. **36¢**

Mixtures, fancy stripes, checks, plaids; suitable for children's school dresses; 35 inch goods. Monday and Tuesday, yard ..... **27¢**

Black Chiffon Panamas, 45 inches wide, very rich quality; sells regularly at $1.25 a yard. Monday and Tuesday .. **98¢**

STORK DIAPERS, 50¢.

Best for infants; strictly sanitary; the only odorless, guaranteed diaper on the market; water-proof. For children one month to two years old, 50c.

BABY SWEATERS, 99¢.

For children six months to five years old; all wool, made of the best unshrinkable yarn; collar and cuffs trimmed with blue or pink colors; guaranteed non-shrinking; $1.50 sweaters, 99c.

LINEN SPECIALS.

$1.75 Table Cloths, $1.49.

A very pretty mercerized table cloth, full dinner size, all hemmed ready for use; 63 inch cloths. Special, $1.49.

$1.00 Table Linen, 75¢.

Mercerized satin finish, snow drop pattern, a beautiful cloth for the money.

Napkins to match, dozen, **$2.25.**

$1.75 Austrian Linen, $1.35.

Made by L. Hass & Co., none better. A trial will convince you. Silver bleached, 72 inches wide, in tulip and scroll patterns.

Desirable Domestics Underpriced

$2.50 SPREADS, $1.95.

Satin finished bed spreads, three-ply cotton yarn, full bleached, all hemmed for use. Extra special $1.95.

CINDERELLA OUTINGS, 9 1-2¢.

Heavy twill weave; sold by other stores at 12 1-2c; our price today, 9 1-2c yard; in colors of pink, blue, cream, white, black and red.

BED SHEETS, 69¢.

Seamless, unbleached, large size, the material alone worth more than we ask.

INDIA LINON, 10¢.

Excellent quality, snow white, soft finished, regular 15c quality; yard, 10c.

STANDARD PRINTS, 8¢.

Full standard quality; dark effects, fast colors, good patterns, regularly 10c a yard. Monday, 8c.

25c Madras, 19¢.

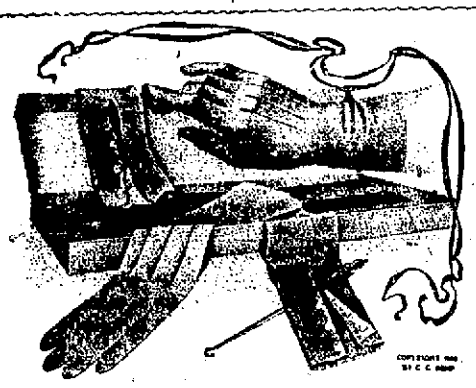
All white with polka dots of white, very suitable for winter waistings.

Gold Rings, 50c.

Not solid gold, of course, but gold filled and guaranteed not to change color or tarnish with five years' wear. Settings in imitation of all jewels, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, opals, turquoise, garnets, emeralds, marquis rings. Solitaire rings, plain band rings. Come and choose ..... **50¢**

Teddy Bears.

Brown or white only; best American made bears, silk covering, natural bear face, none of the pointed imitations about these; worth $2.75 each, today **$1.69**



Good Glove Sale, Monday, Tuesday

Nothing makes a more sensible or more appreciated present than a pair of good gloves. You will find them here always at right prices, but Monday and Tuesday some excellent values will be ready.

$3.50 White Kid Gloves $1.98

There are about 50 pairs of these gloves to be sold at this greatly reduced price, so if a pair is needed, get them promptly. 16-button glace gloves, all sizes, 5½ to 7¼, genuine $3.50 values. Pair **$1.98**

BEST CORSETS HERE.

We sell the famous Warners and Thompson Corsets, the kind that has stood the test of years and proven successful.

We have a complete stock of the good Redfern corsets in all the newest models. Rust proof steels, finest coutil elegantly trimmed with lace, priced from $2.00 to $3.50.

Warner's rust proof steel corsets in good coutil, in all the most desirable shapes at $2.00, $1.50, $1.25 and $1.00.

HOSIERY SALE

Values to 50c; Sale Price 25c

For the next two days we will sell women's finest maco cotton hosiery, Hermsdorf dyed, high spliced heels and toes, stockings worth 40c and 50c, choice ..... **25¢**

75c, $1.00 Hosiery, 37c

Women's all over lace hose, lace ankles or plain lisle, others in plain lisle or mercerized gauze; elegant hosiery, worth 75c to $1.00 a pair, Monday and Tuesday ..... **37¢**

Hundreds of Pairs of Good Shoes on Sale Monday and Tuesday

Dependable, reliable footwear, so priced that two pairs may be purchased where only one was contemplated.

Shoes we are glad to stand back of because we know who made them and how good they are.

$3.50 and $4.00 Shoes, $2.89.

Women's dress shoes in strictly high class styles and materials; some in patent leather, some with French heels, some with dull kid tops; some with patent leather tips, blucher cut, mannish cut, college cut, some in the hand-turned, some in the extension sole weights. Exceptionally fine shoes for, pair .. **$2.89**

Women's Felt Shoes, 55c.

Soft warm house shoes for winter wear, wool felt uppers, fur trimmed, leather soles; same shoes as other stores sell at 75c. All sizes here for **55¢**

Children's Shoes, 79c.

Under any other circumstances we would have to sell them for at least $1 to $1.25. Button or lace kid shoes, sizes to 7 1-2 only; soft strong uppers, light or heavy soles.

Women's Shoes, $1.89.

Worth $2.00, $2.50 and $3.00. Soft vici kid shoes, velour calf shoes, light, medium or extension soles, college cut, straight lace, blucher cut shoes. All the leading shapes.

Child's $2.00 shoes, $1.25.

These are very handsome dress shoes. Light turned soles, fancy tops, some in colored velvet, some in colored kid, some in patent leather, top in red, in brown, in black, in tan, sizes 10 to 2; shoes worth every cent of $2 will be on sale for **$1.25**

GOOD HAND BAG SALE.

Alligator hand bags, the real thing, horn alligator, leather lined, inside coin purse; bags worth $7.50 and $8.00 for **$4.85**

Good seal skin hand bags, leather lined, inside coin purse; a very durable article, steel frame, hand riveted; worth to $3.00 tomorrow **$1.85**

$10.00 UMBRELLAS, $3.95.

Just a one day sale. Umbrellas worth $6.00, $7.00, $8.00, $9.00, $10.00. Steel rods, hand riveted, Paragon frames, Gloria silk covering, gold filled or sterling silver handles. Choice $3.95.

The Men's Store is Full of Bargains Like These

White Handkerchiefs, 4c.

We have an excellent white linen cambric handkerchief for every day use that we sell at ..... **4¢**

It is as good as any sold in other stores at 6 1-4c. Large size; fairly fine cloth and hemmed borders.

President's Suspenders, 39c.

The best 50c suspender on the market is sold here for 39c. Stout web, very elastic, works on the pulley system; gives with every movement of the body; 50c suspenders for **39¢**

Monday's Handkerchief Sales

Women's Swiss handkerchiefs, embroidered or lace trimmed, hemstitched or scalloped borders, 35c-50c handkerchiefs for ..... **25¢**

Women's pure linen initial handkerchiefs, 6 in a box, handkerchiefs that sell at $1.50 for the box, Monday, box **$1.00**

Women's handkerchiefs of very fine linen, put up three in a box, regular 35c handkerchiefs, box Monday ..... **75¢**

Fancy box handkerchiefs in novel ideas, 6 handkerchiefs in each one.

Automobiles ..... **79¢**
Trunks ..... **69¢**
Dressers ..... **69¢**
Suit Cases ..... **59¢**
Clocks ..... **69¢**
Telephones ..... **59¢**

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SEE QUOY IS JINKS RULER

"Chinese Night" Given By Sequoia Club.

Imperial Oriental Band from San Francisco Chinatown Renders Music.

See Quoy, a thirty-second cousin of Buddha, reigned supreme last night at the Christmas Jinks of the Sequoia Club. The entertainment committee arranged an elaborate program for a "Chinese Night" and the members and guests, numbering more than a hundred, indulged in frivolity until far into the night.

A giguntic figure, representing See Quoy, was shining under a fringe of electric lights in the parlor when the festivities opened. The lights represented the "sudden illumination" of Buddha, under the Botree or tree of knowledge in Buddha-Gaya, when for forty-nine days he was tempted by Mara.

A few of the members supplied the state of Nirvana, which is the cessation of existence, but that was toward the end of the evening.

De Witt Gray acted as High Priest, assisted by V. H. M. MacLymont, and after James Gearhart had opened the entertainment with a Japanese love song, each of the members was given a present from a Christmas tree.

The High Priest began with prayers to the Great God See Quoy, and the deity responded with rumblings from drums, wails from an automobile siren and punctuated his remarks with pistol shots.

The parlor was decorated with fine Chinese robes and banners from the joss house of the local Chinatown, and the members of the Chinese colony sent several loads of goods to assist the celebration, taking much interest in the proceedings.

A feature of the entertainment was the Imperial Sextet, a Chinese band of San Francisco, which played the wierd music of the Celestials.

The Sequoia Quintet, composed of Sung Hi McIndoo, Hi Lee Gearhart, Ah Sing Gray, One Lung Pike, Sing Kee Smith, was led by De Witt Gray, singing, "The Moon Has Its Eye On You."

Kellogg and Shaw put on a Chinese skit and sang a Chinese love song in the real language so well that they were highly complimented by the Chinese band. Their "turn" was considered the hit of the evening.

Ah Fat Tilton played a cornet solo, and a sextette, in which C. A. Burkhalter and Charles Snow were the chief offenders, was driven from the stage by volleys of ham sandwiches. Even See Quoy howled a protest at the horribly bad singing of the six would-be Caruses.

Yong Kee Smith, in real life known under the alias of "Box Pine," sang "I want what I want when I want it," and it is said he will never get if he has to sing for it.

M. F. Tarpey was toastmaster at the banquet, and opened fire with a toast to President Roosevelt. George E. Church responded, and after toasting President C. E. Shaver, who was unable to be present on account of illness, they all fell on the eatables. There were also things to drink healths with and lots of health to drink.

There were Bird's Nest Soup, Lee Chee Nuts, Far Low Noodles, Roast Suckling Pig, Chop Suey, Hong Kong Rice, Che Fo Candy, Pineapple Duck, Fon Chuck Apples and Booze Cliequot, and other unidentified things.

A Christmas precent was given Secretary Mayo in the form of a large check, with the hopes that he would not invest it in automobile repairs, and the Japanese servants got double wages for December.

It was voted the most successful affair ever given by the club.

NELSON BEATEN BY TOUGH THUGS

Ole Nelson, a laborer, was found yesterday afternoon in the rear of a saloon in Firebaugh in a semi-conscious condition with his scalp badly lacerated and both eyes closed by bruises and his arm broken. He was brought in to the county hospital, where his wounds were treated by Dr. Bland. He has not yet completely recovered consciousness, but it is thought that he was attacked and robbed by thugs. He had no money in his pockets when discovered, but was known to have had considerable during the day.

NO MORE BLUE SUNDAYS FOR NEW YORK CITY

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—New York, having seen its last "blue Sunday," will return tomorrow to its accustomed mild Sunday entertainments and amusements which are now permitted under the new ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen. The interpretation of the blue law ordinance has been left entirely to the police by Police Commissioner Bingham, who said the ordinance was vague to him and that he had put the whole matter in the hands of the inspectors for them to regulate.

TRIP WILL COMMAND RESPECT FOR NAVY

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — General Benjamin F. Tracy, who during his first term as secretary of the navy recommended that the United States warships should make a voyage from the Atlantic to the Pacific, declared today that if the Atlantic fleet is able to around to the Pacific without some great disaster other naval powers would hold us in greater respect. He said that if Japan had any desire to meet the United States in war she would have seized the Philippines, Hawaii and Alaska without waiting for the Atlantic fleet to move.

IMPORTANT EVIDENCE FOUND IN BROWN'S DESK BY PROSECUTOR

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Documentary evidence, which is said by Assistant District Attorney William Hoff Cook to be of the most importance in connection with the inquiry into the affairs of the defunct Safe Deposit and Trust company was found today by the prosecutor and Detective William R. Proll in J. Dalzell Brown't desk in the office of the trust company. The search of Brown's desk was made by Cook and Proll under authority of a search warrant issued at Cook's request by Police Judge Cabaniss.

PULLMAN COMPANY IS GROWN ARROGANT

Charges Unreasonable Rates and Obtains an Abnormal Revenue from the Country.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 21.—Because of the unreasonable rates charged and the abnormal revenue received the Pullman company is so powerful that it now controls the sleeping car business of the United States and so arrogant that it denies the right and power of the government to inquire into its earnings and regulate its business.

The above statement is embodied in a complaint which James Manahan, attorney for George S. Loftis, is about to file with the Interstate Commerce Commission against the Omaha railroad and the Pullman company in the case which was heard here yesterday by Examiner Marble for the Interstate Commerce Commission. Loftis has decided to make the case against the Pullman company broad enough to cover its operations over the entire country.

FLEET GOING SOUTH AT 11 KNOTS' SPEED

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 21.—The De Forest station tonight picked up the battleship Connecticut and received the following message:

"United States Steamship Connecticut, Dec. 21.—From Wednesday to Thursday we have made 240 miles and are now 600 miles due east of Jupiter Inlet, Fla. Speed has been increased to eleven knots. Still in double column formation. All hands in white dress."

BRYAN ATTACKS THE PRESIDENT

Says Roosevelt Has Permitted Trusts While In Act of Exposing Them to the Public.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 21.—For almost an hour tonight in the presence of over 500 dollar dinner banqueters William J. Bryan attacked President Roosevelt. The first part of his remarks were devoted to charging the executive with dodging vital issues and failure to prosecute trusts. He charged Roosevelt with permitting trusts to grow up while he was in the act of exposing them to the public.

During the evening Lieutenant Governor Bellamy mentioned William H. Murray, president of the constitutional convention and speaker of the house of representatives for the Democratic nomination for vice president, with the ticket "Bryan and Murray."

The mention of Murray's name caused a violent outburst of applause.

Chaplain Prays for Bryan.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 21.—William J. Bryan today addressed the legislature assembled here in joint session and was given an ovation. There was a full attendance of members and the galleries and corridors were filled with spectators.

Previous to addressing the legislature he was given a reception, shaking hands with several thousand persons. His presence in Guthrie inspired the chaplain of the house this morning to pray that Mr. Bryan might be the next president of the United States. After the prayer the house broke into a storm of applause that lasted several minutes.

Speaker William H. Murray added emphasis to the prayer by immediately putting the question to the body. Every Democrat present answered with a rousing "aye."

Later the house met with the senate in joint session to listen to Mr. Bryan's speech.

WARDEN YELL IS NOT YET REMOVED

Meeting of Board of Prison Directors Altogether Unimportant—Governor Absent.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21. — Nothing was done at the meeting of the state board of prison directors tonight at the Folsom state prison concerning the removal or retention of Warden Yell. Directors Ray, Clinch and Devlin were present and they granted six paroles to prisoners, none of whom were important, but Yell is still warden by sufferance.

It was said today that Governor Gillett would attend the directors' meeting and that he had so informed the members. Governor Gillett, it was said was to notify them that it is his desire and also the desire of the people that Warden Yell be not deposed, but Governor Gillett did not go to Folsom. He remained at his home in this city and said tonight he had no intention of attending th emeeting.

WALL STREET SHOWS PATRIOTIC FEELING

Serious Objections to Having American Flag Used to Clean Window Glass.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Wall street had a new sensation yesterday, when it saw a demonstration of patriotism. Workmen on the roof of the new government assay office were cleaning skylights when tenants in nearby buildings discovered that one of the men was using an old American flag as a rag to clean the glass.

Superintendent Foster's attention was called to the matter and he went to the roof of the building and rescued the old discarded flag, while a large crowd cheered him from the windows of adjoining buildings.

POWERS TRIAL TO GO ON THROUGH HOLIDAYS

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Dec. 21.— Judge Morris stated today that he would continue the trial of Caleb Powers through the holidays, not even adjourning for Christmas. This decision was made in deference to the jury, which is anxious to finish.

Stuart B. Stone, former stenographer for Governor Taylor, testified today that he was the first person who notified Taylor of the shooting. He also testified to seeing Youtsey a few minutes after the shooting with a pistol in his hand.

DRUCE WITNESS IS UNDER ARREST

Caldwell Learned That Warrant Was Out By Wireless and Was In State of Collapse.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Robert C. Caldwell, the American who has been one of the central figures in the famous Druce case in London, was arrested upon his arrival from England today on a charge of perjury. The warrant was sworn out by the British General Consul here.

When Caldwell was taken before a U. S. court, it was reported his counsel declared he was a very sick man. He offered to furnish bail in any amount. Two physicians appointed by the commission reported him desperately ill and bail of $5000 was furnished for the prisoner's appearance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Robert Caldwell, the American witness in the famous Druce case in London, was arrested at Hoboken, N. J., after the arrival of the steamer Kaiser in Augusta Victoria today. The arrest was made upon request from the British authorities.

Caldwell is charged with perjury. The wireless telegraph had carried the report that Caldwell would be arrested on the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria and it had been read in the daily newspapers printed aboard by Caldwell and all the other passengers.

When the steamer arrived at quarantine, Caldwell, who occupied second cabin accommodations, was almost in a state of collapse. When told by a newspaper man of a second report denying the authenticity of the statement published in the ship newspaper, a great load seemed to have been lifted from him.

"Thank God," was his comment.

Caldwell, however, appeared to be broken in health and spirit.

The temporary relief which came to Caldwell with the news which met him at the quarantine was short-lived. Almost immediately after he had stepped ashore at Hoboken he was taken into custody.

Caldwell on November 8th testified at the Druce trial that he knew the late Duke of Portland, both as the duke and as T. C. Druce at Welbeck Abbey and the Walker street house. He further testified that, in conjunction with the duke, he arranged the mock funeral of Druce. He said that he, at the duke's request, employed a carpenter to make a coffin, purchased two hundred pounds of lead and put in the coffin himself. The funeral occurred on the following day. When shown two photographs, Caldwell swore that they were photographs of the fifty duke of Portland in the character of T. C. Druce, and declared he had seen the duke wear a false beard. Caldwell related in detail the London story of his introduction to the Duke of Portland in 1864 and testified that he received presents from the duke aggregating about $50,000, besides the fee of $500,000 for medical services

At the hearing of the case on December 13th, the prosecution announced that it could not rely upon the evidence given by Caldwell, in view of the suspicions aroused during his cross-examination. On the following day it was discovered that Caldwell had suddenly left London and a warrant for his extradition was issued.

Caldwell, who has a home on Staten Island, at one time had an experience in New York very similar to that in which he is figured in of late in London, with the exception, however, that no arrest was made in the previous instance. It appears that he had been abroad and returned to the United States in 1870.

Soon after his arrival here he entered the employ of A. T. Stewart, the dry goods merchant, as a secretary. After the death of Stewart, Caldwell made an affidavit declaring that he was in possession of startling facts concerning the Stewart estate. One of these was that the Stewart will had been destroyed by a lawyer after the merchant's death and a new document substituted.

In another affidavit, Caldwell declared that the stolen body of Stewart was carried from St. Mark's church yard back o the cellar of the Stewart mansion on Thirty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, where it was burned. The body was not found when the house was torn down several years ago.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The charge against Caldwell is conspiracy and wilful corrupt perjury in his testimony. Details on the subject are being prepared by the home office and will be forwarded.

The opening of the vault supposed to contain the body of Druce has been fixed for December 27th. One result of this will be to prove the truth or falsity of one of Caldwell's main statements and probably settle the question of his extradition.

Robbery Story Denied.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 21.—United States District Attorney Carl Rasch, when shown the dispatch from Newport, detailing the alleged discovery of $14,000 stolen in the Rondo, Mont., train robbery, absolutely denied its veracity. He said that Lang was in Helena two days ago and had not had time to reach the Yak River country, where the alleged cache was discovered. No money has been received here as stated.

Railroad Argument Continued.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—R. S. Lovett, representing E. H. Harriman in the Illinois Central hearing before Judge Ball, argued today against making permanent the injunction recently obtained by Stuyvesant Fish.

J. M. Dickinson, general counsel for the Illinois Central, began his argument this afternoon. It is expected that the arguments will be finished early next week.

Chess Master Arrives.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Jacques Meises, a leading German chess master, arrived in New York yesterday and will remain in America for two or three months, during which time he will travel to various cities and will pay chess at various clubs. Meises is a brilliant player and was winner of the international tournament at Vienna last January.

Bodies of 340 Men Recovered.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Dec. 21.—Bodies are gradually being recovered from the mines of the Fairmont Coal company at Monongah, the scene of the great disaster and today the total number recovered had reached 340.

It is the general opinion here that 400 men, if not more, met death in the mines.

GALLAGHER RECEIVES THREATENING LETTER

Missive Purports to Be Sent By "Black Hand" and Demands Five Hundred Dollars.

DENVER, Dec. 21.—Patrick Gallagher, ex-pugilist and well known throughout the country as a fight promoter, received through the mails yesterday a letter demanding $500 or forfeit his life. The letter, which stated that the demand came from the "black hand," warned Gallagher to send the money within three days to "L. F. Jones, General Delivery, Denver," and cautioned him not to say anything to the police about the matter.

Gallagher at first treated the letter as a joke, but has decided to have the postoffice inspectors and the police investigate for the purpose of locating the writer.

MARK TWAIN'S COMPANY GOES INTO BANKRUPTCY

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A petition in bankruptcy has been filed against the Plamon company, of which Samuel L. Clemens ("Mark Twain,") is acting president. The company manufactures milk products and is a branch of an English company. It is stated that Clemens invested something like $35,000 in the company, which is now bankrupt. The company's liabilities are $27,000 and its nominal assets $10,000.

Indian Cannot Run.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—It does not seem probable that Longboat, the famous Canadian indian runner, will be allowed to take part in the Pastime Athletic club games, which will take place at Madison Square Garden January 27th. The runner is under suspension by the Amateur Athletic union and President Sullivan of that organization has told the Pastime club that he cannot compete in any games unless he is formally reinstated. The club was also notified that if Longboat was advertised to take part in the games the sanction of the meet would be withdrawn.

Great Racer Crippled

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — There is a possibility that Uncle, the sturdy colt that was Colin's greatest rival for the 2 year old honors of the turf last year, may never race again. While being galloped the other day the horse picked up a stone in its hoof and a bad bruise so caused made the horse limp painfully. The injury is similar to that which put the great McChesney out of racing.

Minstrel Rice is Dead

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.— William Henry Rice, one of the best known minstrels in the United States, died of pneumonia in a hospital today. He was 65 years of age.

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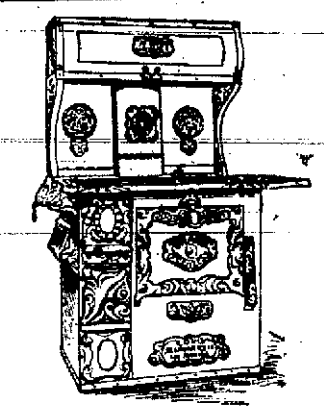
$24  $24

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Every house is haunted—your house, their house; boarding house, church house, theater, hospital, jail, courtroom—all are haunted. That is what Dr. Baraduc, the famous French scientist, says. He proves it by producing photographs of the "ha'nts" whenever people doubts his assertions.

The human eye cannot see these haunts, except upon rare ocasions. But the camera can see them, according to Dr. Baraduc. The camera has a cumulative eye. It looks a long time on one spot and the sensitive plates after a time exposure will get the impression of a spookish personation that is not visible to the eye of a man.

But if we cannot see the ordinary impalpable ghosts that people our flats and cottages, we can feel them. Some vague thoughts or emotions are aroused. Unconsciously or consciously, according to our nervous condition or our psychic development, we recognize certain atmospheres and influences. One room makes us comfortable. We enjoy reading or writing in a certain spot. We are miserable as soon as we enter the doors of some houses. There are chambers in which we do not sleep well, and in others we have sound slumber and sweet dreams.

These antagonisms and sympathies, says Dr. Baraduc, are ghostly, whether we know it or not. It is no mere unreasoning superstition that makes us sad to stay in a room where a man has died; it is not a foolish but a real terror that grips us on the spot where a tragedy has been enacted. There are presences there that assail us—thought forms, subtle fluids, and emanations, etheric atmospheres, spirits—call them what you will. They are real haunts.

The haunt that haunts us may not be a restless earth-bound spirit, craving to return to the field of his late activity, or burdened with a secret that he tries in vain to impart. It may be only an etheral vapor that pervades the atmosphere, or perhaps ensouled in some inferior intelligence much below the human in point of evolution. These minor ghosts and haunts even may take up their abode in some material object, according to this savant, influencing all sensitive beings who approach them.

Dr. Baraduc tells of an old feudal castle in the west of France where he has been hospitably entertained. Baroness L., the fair hostess of this interesting country seat, found herself much in the position of the Princess in the fairy tale, living in an enchanted castle. The atmosphere of her beautiful and luxurious home cast a spell of gloom over her bright and vivacious nature.

The ghosts that live in the castle are particularly numerous in the library, a room there the Baroness is so ill at ease that she can hardly rest. She constantly shifts her position, trying to rid herself of the sensations that lower her vitality and depress her spirits.

The Baroness will not leave the home of her ancestors on account of the discomforts occasioned by the haunts, but she spends as much time as possible awa; from the house, walking, riding horseback, traveling or visiting her neighbors. Dr. Baraduc was so interested in the library ghost that he began to experiment and he finally located it—or at least one of them—in the carved figure of an angel that rested on the back of an old-fashioned chair.

One evening in April, 1903, the scientist took a photograph of this haunting specter. The picture as obtained showed "large black marks of a round or oval shape on a lighter background," which, he says, really was an enormous etheric net, forming a striking contrast to the light texture of his "silver veil," which he photographed on another occasion. The doctor says the etheric fluids which surrounded this were "as heavy as lead."

Dr. Baraduc says it is reasonable to assume that this particular haunt is not "a decarnate human entity such as frequently is seen or heard in haunted places." These old mediaeval castles, of which that of the French baroness is a fair specimen, have been the abode of certain noble families for many generations; many people, connected by strong ties of blood, brought up to the same privileges, ideals and prejudices, were born, lived and died in these places.

Therefore the "thought atmosphere" engendered there would be stronger, more organic, than in a rented house in a large city, where all sorts and conditions of men pass in and out within a comparatively short space of time, and where one form of haunt might be easily neutralized or destroyed by another.

In fact, the thought forms pervading an old ancestral home would have more tenacity of life, says the doctor, because they were projected with more force by a larger number of people who were homogeneous in their way of thinking and feeling. The Baroness, a sensitive and modern woman, is unpleasantly affected by the "physic fluids" or the haunts of past generations.

The stern old warriors, the unscrupulous diplomats and courtiers who lived and died there and left their impress within the castle walls even after they were gone, impress her painfully. They were her ancestors, and they linger about the place in some inexplicable way and trouble her. They are not malicious about it—but, on the contrary, it seems that they cannot help it any more than she can. When they died they left their grouches here.

When the doctor located the particular haunt in the carving of the chair the Baroness was no better off than before. There was no way to exorcise the spook. It is still there, and the poor Baroness is no more comfortable since she knows just where it is than she was before, when she could only feel its presence vaguely and indefinitely.

Dr. Baraduc's reasoning, as well as experiments, goes to show that the least haunted place is a new building which has just been erected. Perhaps it is not haunted at all, before it is inhabited, unless there is some lingering influence left there by carpenter or painter.

As soon as the family moves in, however, the haunts move in. They may linger in the furniture, or they may follow, like the family dog or the family cat, unattached to any material object. The longer the family lives under the same roof the more numerous and the "more organic" the haunts become, and after people have lived and died within the walls of a house the unseen inhabitants grow to have a strong attachment for the place. It seems likely that they resent the presence of strangers, and do their best to make the intruder uncomfortable. Perhaps this is why we do not sleep well in a strange room or at a hotel. We are not acquainted with the haunts that abide there and they distress us.

In the end it comes down to this fact, according to the reasoning of Dr. Baraduc. There are two sets of inhabitants in people's houses, dwelling together in greater or less harmony—the seen and the unseen. Those who have been there before us have left their ineradicable impressions—thought forms, etheric fluids, spirits, haunts—call them whatever name suits your particular fancy. Perhaps they sent back everything the next world wouldn't stand for. The "choir invisible" raises its chorus, and if we do not hear it we feel its uncanny vibrations.

But there are other places besides dwelling where ghosts abound, as Dr. Barraduc has learned by his experiments. They particularly favor monuments and public buildings, like churches. The bronze lion on the battlefield of Waterloo has a particular exhilarating effect on an Englishman or a German, while it depresses a Frenchman. This is not necessarily because the phantoms of Wellington or Blucher linger there to cheer their compatriots and confuse their enemies—nor because the dead soldiers who fell continually re-enact their scenes of carnage—although the doctor would not by any means deny the possibility of such a thing. He suggests rather that it is the result of the many joyous and happy thought vibrations that are sent out there on the one hand, and the sorrowful thought forms of the French on the other hand.

Churches, however, are favorite places for haunts of the nature described by Dr. Baraduc. When Napoleon, entering the Cathedral of Chartres, sensed the invigorating and spiritual atmosphere there he could not help remarking that "A wicked man must be most uncomfortable here." And it has often been pointed out that the wicked are uncomfortable at church, while pious folks are soothed and cheered by the atmosphere of the sacred places.

If haunts linger especially around old furniture, as Dr. Baraduc believes, then one should be careful with what pieces of antique household goods he surrounds himself. There may be a blessing, or there may be a curse, somehow concealed in the things that has been used before. In old books, too, there are "fluids" and thought forms and atmospheres, perhaps even inspirations. Sometimes they say that when a man falls for a long distance, or coasts down a snow slide, or in any way gets up a transcendent speed, he goes so fast that he gets away from his following of haunts, his astral doubles and etheric bodies, and things of that sort. Then the man becomes unconscious until his attendant troop of sprites catches up with him—and if he gets clear away from them he is dead. That, however, is another story, and has only a side bearing on Dr. Baraduc's study of haunted houses.

It would seem as if haunts are a good deal like human beings in their dread and dislike of strangers and strange places. Perhaps it would be more exact to say that it is the clash of haunting antagonisms that causes human discomforts in strange places. If we go to a room in a hotel to sleep—a room that has been occupied by a thousand strangers, each of whom has left the stamp of his individuality on the place—we have a strange sense of unrest, even of desolation. Our own personal haunts, and the haunts that the strangers have left in the room, and the haunts that naturally live there do not get along well together. They are inharmonious, perhaps even hostile, and that is what distresses us. Otherwise one room would be the same to us as another.

A drummer or a traveling man who sleeps in a strange bed every night and fraternizes with strange people every day soon gets over his objection to new places. His own troop of personal haunts gets used to strangers. They become hail fellow well met with all the hotel haunts and the sleeping car haunts along his route, and they are at home wherever they go. They soon lose all the shyness and reserve that characterize the home-keeping haunts.

Haunts are like people, too, in being of all dispositions. Some of them are comfortable and restful. Others irritate us. And haunts of a kind flock together. That is why we enter one house and feel as if a benediction has fallen upon us. There is a sense of security and fellowship there. We may never have been there before, but the place is "homey." The haunts are agreeable to us. In the next house perhaps we are desolate and miserable. We do not like the people nor the haunts they have gathered about them.

It is not a mere unreasoning association of ideas that makes us shrink from the gloom of the jail, according to Dr. Baraduc's logic. These haunts of felons, where the wretched and hopeless have fretted their lives away, where the death watch has been held and the burden of guilt has been expiated, are places accursed.

Our instincts are right when we feel the grip of horror in the presence of death or on the scene of a recent tragedy. The haunts that are there are fearsome things, and it is just as well for us not to yield to their morbid fascinations.

Theaters are haunted, too. The ghosts of actors and audiences both living and dead hover behind the wings and over the orchestra chairs and high in the galleries. The actor on the stage gets his meed of inspiration from the geniuses who have been there before him and adds the flavor of his own personality to the ghosts of the place for the help of those who may come after him. For the living have their ghosts—or haunts—as well as the dead.

A somewhat startling conclusion of Dr. Baraduc is that monuments are haunted. The bronze lion on the field of Waterloo, the statue of Lincoln in our own park that bears his name, are favorite abiding places for the ghosts of patriotism. Every glow of loving pride that the citizen casts upon his bronze hero is inspired by the haunted atmosphere of the spot, and in turn adds its vigor and spirit to the haunting phantoms that linger there.

Perhaps the poorest place for haunts in the world is a Chicago flat, with its ephemeral procession of tenants. It takes more than "six rooms and a bath" to create the atmosphere of home, and the haunts that the last tenant left and the haunts that we bring with us are apt to arouse antagonisms and conflicts that vaguely distress us.

That is why the average Chicago woman wants to move so often, it is suggested. She is trying to find a place where her own family haunts will fit it and harmonize with the haunts that make their permanent homes in the various flats that she occupies. She has to live in the flat all the time, and she is likely to be more highly organized, more "psychic," than her husband; therefore she is the first to feel that the atmosphere of the place gets on her nerves, and that "she simply must move" to a new flat. The rooms may be all right and the heat and the decorations, but she can't bear the place, she doesn't know why, and she must get away from it.

Thus we dwell together in our houses—with our invisible companions. Perhaps we trouble them as much as they trouble us. Perhaps they resent our absurd ways of living and our unpleasant habits as much as we resent their spookish characteristics whenever we learn about them. It is a blessed thing that we cannot see them. They would seem so much more real if they were as visible as our chairs and bedsteads.

And, after all, it is difficult to see what good Dr. Baraduc does with his scientific demonstrations and his camera. At present he is able to find only the haunts. He cannot exorcise them. All he can do is to admonish us to be careful where we live and how we live, and what influences surround us.

Fortune Tellers in Hard Times.

From the New York Sun.

Just as a matter of curiosity a woman who lives across the street from a fortune teller counted the persons who called to consult the seer in one forenoon. The number astonished her. In the afternoon she, too, visited the woman.

"I shouldn't think," she remarked, "that you would have such a brisk trade these hard times. I should think that peeping into the future at your price per peep would be a luxury that most people would cut out."

"On the contrary," said the woman, "trade increases in hard times. When everybody is prosperous people are satisfied and don't care especially to spend money in finding out if there is any ill luck coming. But when times are hard they will spend their very last quarter to find out if there is anything better in sight."

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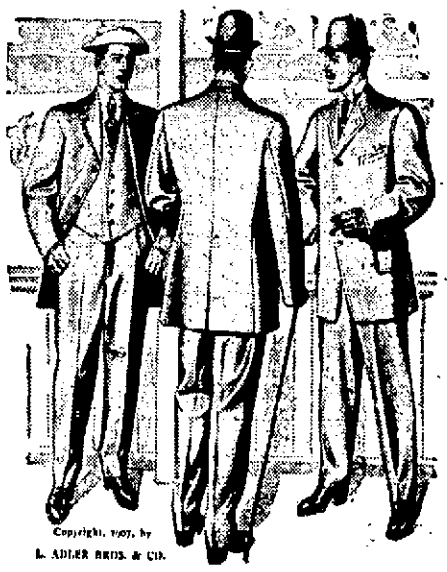

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COMMISSIONERS PASSED BUCK UP TO LAMBERSON

Grand Jury Adjourned to Call of Foreman—Mandamus Petition Goes to Supreme Court To-Morrow.

The grand jury occupied itself with the county division election investigation yesterday until 4 o'clock and then without having finished its two days' inquiry adjourned to the call of its foreman, T. C. White. The adjournment is for an indefinite period. It can be said with certainty that it will not be re-convened before the 26th or even then, and before that something will have been learned from the Supreme court, whose action may largely determine what future course the grand jury will pursue.

A published report that the three commissioners will not be indicted is without foundation in so far as any decision by the jury to that effect. That phase of the investigation has not been closed, and it can be stated on authority that no vote on any matter before the jury has as yet been taken. The rumor had probably for foundation the announcement that no indictments would be returned pending the holiday adjournment.

The mandamus petition has been sworn to and W. A. Sutherland, one of the three counsel retained by the supervisors to assist the district attorney in the case, will leave tonight for San Francisco to file the petition in the Supreme court on Monday. John Cerini, the dairyman-and-cheesemaker of Riverdale, and a strong anti-division man, is the petitioner for the writ calling upon the five commissioners to canvass the votes cast at the election and certify the result, or show cause on a day to be set why they have not done so. Mr. Sutherland has been delayed in the presentation of the petition in the preparation of the brief citing authorities supporting the petition.

The report was in circulation yesterday afternoon on good authority that the commissioners had called a session for a day this week at which an effort might be made to force a vote to rescind the resolution declaring the election nul and void and calling for another on the 14th prox. Chairman De Long of the commission gave the report unqualified denial.

"I hope it is true, though, that a mandamus will be sued out of the Supreme court to settle this matter, and I for one will obey any process of the court. I will be very glad to receive the mandamus, for that will take the responsibility off my shoulders in deciding this controversy in which I have tried only to get at the fair thing, whether it goes for Fresno or Kings county. Of course if it goes against Kings county I will be disappointed."

Commissioners Testify.

The witnesses that trod the carpet before the jury yesterday were Commissioner Scott Blair, whose testimony was not closed at the Friday afternoon session, followed by De Long, and later in the afternoon by N. S. Palmer, who for a time was one of the deputy registration clerks. De Long's examination is said to have been a searching one and the gentleman is said to have spent an uncomfortable time while under the day's interrogation experience.

De Long said before the grand jury that in voting to declare the election null and void he ruled as he did solely on the advice given by C. G. Lamberson of Visalia taking the large ground that this is a special election and therefore not governed by the general rules applicable to elections or registration. De Long was driven into a hole when asked why he so ruled in casting the deciding vote on a tie when the attention of himself and the board was called to the other contention of Attorney Sutherland and Deputy District Attorney McCormick, that their only duty was to canvass the votes and certify the result and that the plain provision of the law as to their ministerial duty was read. The reply to this was again that Lamberson advised otherwise, that he was their chosen advisor and that therefore they followed his advice preferentially.

As before stated, DeLong and the other two commissioners with whom he voted has so positively passed the responsibility for all the after trouble at the Coalinga election up to Lamberson that the grand jury is resolved to take up his case when it next meets and ascertain whether it can fasten responsibility upon him. It is no secret that the district attorney and his assistant legal advisers are looking up the law and seeking evidence to bring legal responsibility home to him.

Palmer's Damaging Admissions.

N. S. Palmer was the first witness examined with regard to registration matters and surprised the jury by admitting that he took certificates of registration of people, who were not electors, and while he was not a deputy, obtaining the blanks from Secretary Richmond of the commission and bringing the certificates to headquarters, as he said, for use at some future election, when the certified ones might have become electors. This was at a time when there was a question whether the election on the 10th would be held because the call had been issued before the Supreme court remittitur was sent down. These certificates made out in the field were signed by Palmer as a deputy of County Clerk Miles at a time when he was not a deputy. Some of these names were sought to be voted on the 10th.

Palmer's appointment was cancelled on the 25th of November, though he dated the certificates on the 27th, claiming that he did not receive the appointment revocation until the 26th. The theory has been that these certificates were not in fact signed until the 10th upon the ruling again on Lamberson's advice that this being, as he said, a special election, the general registration law did not apply. At the moment that this ruling was made and despite the protests to the contrary and that all registration ceased on the 30th of October, or forty days before election and twenty-five days before it for any that had transferred, Secretary Richmond of the commission had in his pocket a written opinion to that effect, given him days before by County Clerk Miles at request yet kept silent on the subject and permitted the board to proceed on the advice of an attorney imported from Visalia to advise a Fresno precinct election board. Richmond has had also to admit that County Clerk Miles had refused his demand to certify these attempted registrations after the 30th of October as being on the great register or entitled to vote.

Further Probing.

The question of registration will be further taken up by the grand jury. Whether Palmer can be held to account for signing certificates as a deputy when he was not a deputy is a question in view of the fact that the certificates were issued at a time when as a contended registration had long ended. The evidence of Palmer had one efffect, however, to open for the grand jurors a fruitful field for investigation in the false registration lines.

DeLong's Statement.

D. M. DeLong will return to Coalinga tonight and in a statement made last night as to his connection with the division election affair said:

"My efforts are these—to get an honest vote, you understand, no matter which county it goes against, and my only intention is to see that fair treatment to either side was accomplished by a vote. That was my evidence before the grand jury on this line alone and nothing else and my best efforts will be given to your present grand jury in securing evidence of fraud, no matter by whom perpetrated, so that they may act upon it."

Mr. DeLong rehearsed the familiar Lamberson argument that this being a special election there is no means of contesting the election had the result been announced with knowledge that fraud had been committed in the election. Again his attention was drawn to the fact that Attorneys Sutherland and McCormick had advised the board to the contrary and had read the law that their duty was solely ministerial to canvass the returns and declare the result.

"Yes; but Mr. Lamberson was our specially hired attorney and we were bound to follow his advice in the matter," was the reply.

In other words, Lamberson's advice was in accord with the desire of three of the commissioners and the wish was father to the thought.

CORY WINS HAT FOR HIGH BOWLING SCORE

Cory stepped in at the last minute and won the hat offered at the bowling alley as a prize for the highest score in ten pins for the week, by bowling 242 last evening. Last night was the limit of the time in which the offer, made for a week, was open. Since Monday night, Nutting had held first rank with 235, which he later shared with Kiser. When a few hours of play was left, Cory took the hat. The outcome was a distinct surprise to say the least, especially since the other mark had stood so long.

Oscar Brooks made a new record in nine pins last night, with a score of 8. This beats the former mark of 7, at which a number were tied. Brooks is the holder also of the four back record, with 60.

High scores last evening were: Hockett, 200, 209; Red No. 2, 209; Gibbs, 223; Egan, 227; Red No. 1, 206, 204; Wilson, 200, 204; Cory 242, 223; Simons, 207.

REDDING, Cal., Dec. 21.—Judge C. C. Bush, Sr., one of the most prominent citizens of Shasta county, died today, aged 75 years. He came to California in 1851.

BAKERSFIELD PLAYS BRUNSWICKS TODAY

Game at Recreation Park to Be Second of Series for $100 Purse.

The Brunswicks, in case the weather holds good, will this afternoon cross bats with the Bakersfield aggregation at Recreation park. The game will be the second of a series for a purse of $100, the first game of which was played at Bakersfield two weeks ago. This second game was to have been played a week ago today, but was postponed even after the arrival here of the Bakersfield team, by a rain which made a crowd and any work on the diamond an impossibility. While the ground is not in the best imaginable condition now, in case the weather holds without rain today, the game could be made both fast and interesting.

In case the Brunswicks win today, as they are the winners of the first game of the series, they will not be forced to play another game for the purse, which goes for the best two in three. In case the locals lose, the third game is to be played in Bakersfield next Sunday.

The game is to be called at 2:45 o'clock. Charles Klein will be the man to call "play ball," and pass out the decisions.

There are several changes in the Brunswick line, but it is hoped that these will not diminish its fighting strength.

The line-ups will probably be:

Bakersfield.		Brunswicks.
Autrand	c	Owens
Claflin	p	Cartwright
Macmurdo	1b	Brooks
Smith	2b	Thomas
Segrue	3b	Giger
Hogan	ss	Galbreath
Alexander	lf	Irby
Brown	cf	Schedl
Forker	rf	Duncan

TIGERS AND WEST PARKS ON THE DIAMOND TODAY

The West Park Tigers will play with the West Park team today on the home diamond. The game is especially notable, as this is the second time the two have met. On December 8th, they played a ten inning game which resulted in a score of 2 to 1, n favor of the Tgers. Today's game should be especially good, as both teams are much stronger than on the former occasion.

They will line up as follows:

West Parks.	Positions.	Tigers.
Fischer (C.)	Catcher	Burleigh
Coleman	Pitcher	Fisher
Bowers	1st base	Glotzbach
Brown	2nd base (C.)	Loskhart
Burleigh	3rd base	B. Lee
Schid	Shortstop	Sarabian
Rickey	Left Field	C. Lee
Coleman	Cen. Field	Georgeneen
	Right Field	Hickock
Carlisle	Sub.	Jaggers

M'CARTHY STOPS WORK ON THE MILLS BUILDING

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Four hupdred union men employed in the reconstruction of the D. O. Mills building on Montgomery and Bush streets went on strike this morning. They were called off by P. H. McCarthy, president of the Building Trades Council of San Francisco, as a result of a disagreement between the steam fitters and the men installing the elevators. It was claimed by the steam fitters that certain pipe carrying steam and connected with the elevators should be connected up by them. The tie-up stops work amounting to over half a million dollars.

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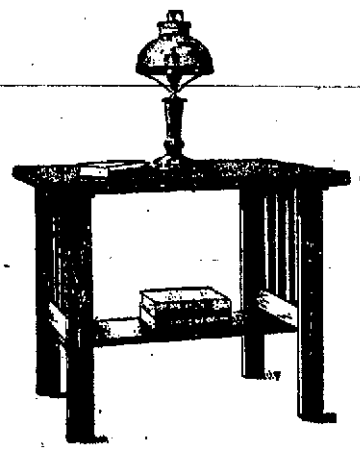

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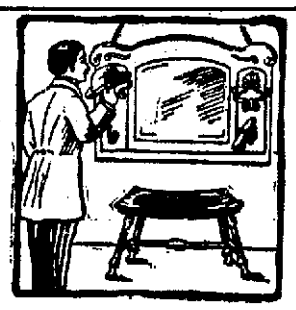

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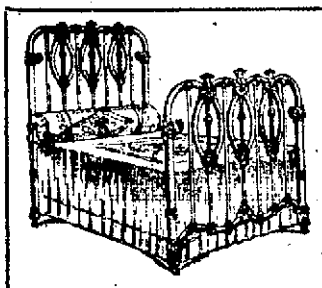

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CONFESSION MAY SAVE HIS LIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—When Pietro Giannone was called in the Supreme court for sentence on his conviction of attempted murder yesterday his attorney's request for a stay of judgment was allowed. The court will investigate the alleged confession of Bruno Cordea that he committed perjury when he told on the stand that Giannone employed him to kill Luigi Favatta. Cordea has been ordered before the court from Sing Sing, where he is serving a five-year sentence for an assault upon Favatta and if he tells the same story that he tells in the affidavit now in the possession of Giannone's lawyer, Giannone will doubtless be granted a new trial.

Will Not Accept Wage Reduction.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. — The local branch of the Brotherhood of Carpenters has decided not to accept the cut in wages from $5 to $4.50 a day prepared by the master carpenters. The cut was to become effective January 14th. The master carpenters say that in the present state of trade the cut is necessary. It is probable that the trouble will be arbitrated.

For fuel of all kinds, try Main 299. Fresno Fuel company.

Unable to Settle Strike

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 21.—Former United States Senator W. A. Clark left Butte last night for New York, after announcing his inability to mediate the differences between the labor unions of Butte and the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company. The refusal of the company to dismiss a restraining order directed against the unions was the rock upon which the negotiations split.

MY PRAYER.

Long, long ago, when all was new,
Life seemed so sweet, so grand, so true.
Alas! lost this faith so dear!
O, bring it back, Fair Christmas Cheer!

In youth my veins ran warm with fire,
And all earth thrilled with sweet desire.
Fond love was mine—then went astray—
O, bring it back, Dear Yuletide Gay.

When riper age had thrilled my breast
With life's forebodings, it set unrest,
Hope lived and died and went from me—
O, bring it back, Sweet Christmas Glee.

The years are shorter as I go
Along the fields I used to sow;
A fair content would ease my way—
O, give it me, Brave Christmas Day!

Remarkably Fine Work.

The camel's hair shawl that can be drawn through a lady's finger ring is not a fiction. I saw one about two yards square that could be drawn through a small ring just as easily as if it were a cambric handkerchief ten inches square. And it was entirely hand woven. In former days one of these shawls was regarded as the most costly and acceptable of presents. Those of today are cheap imitations.

A New York buyer of Oriental fineries, such as rugs, carpets, tapestries, shawls, laces, and embroideries, spending most of his time between Calcutta and Ispahan, said in a lecture: "A heathen girl of 13 years, a Hindoo, by the use of her hands simply, can surpass in delicacy and fineness of texture the production of the most perfect machinery in the manufacture of cotton and muslin cloths. In America cotton has been spun so fine that it would require a thread 490 miles in length to weigh one pound; but the Hindoo girl has, by her hand, wrought a thread which would extend 1000 miles to the pound. The Dacca muslins of her handiwork, when spread on the ground and covered with dew, are no longer visible." The spider's web cannot be much finer than this. Shall we believe the statement?—New York Press.

Lucky Friday, the Thirteenth.

There is one West Philadelphia man who doesn't care a hang if every day is Friday, the 13th, yet he used to be one of the most superstitious of men. Last September, when the 13th fell on Friday, he was cured. A huge safe was being raised up to the sixth floor of a Walnut street building as he was walking along the sidewalk. Just as he got under it some one called, "Look out!" He grasped the situation in an instant and there passed through his mind the thought that since it was Friday, the 13th, he was sure to be caught under the heavy safe. Nevertheless, he jumped for his life and landed half in the gutter and half on the sidewalk. Then he looked around to see the havoc and discovered that the ropes had merely slipped a little, and that the safe was being hoisted up as though nothing had happened. As he lay stretched in the mud his hand felt something round and flat. When he arose and brushed off his clothes he still clutched the find, and upon examining it he found it to be a $20 gold piece that no one ever claimed.—From the Philadelphia Record.

THE PRESENTS OF YESTERYEAR

Again we try as we tried before
To give each person a thing to prize,
Again we plan as we planned of yore
For sweet remembrance of friendship's ties.
Our purses then were of goodly size,
We gave and took with a heart of cheer
But times have altered; who may surmise
Where are the presents of yesteryear?

That thingumbob that we never wore—
Safe wrapped in the bureau drawer it lies,
If passed to Kate it will fix her score,
And Mabel's gift to Eliza flies;
Its use would certainly stump the wise.
But on it goes with never a fear
The list grows shorter; who may surmise
Where are the presents of yesteryear?

Fresh as the day it left the store
The Joneses' gift to the Browns applies;
We sent the stuff from the folks next door
To gladden our aunt's far distant eyes.
The need of Grace to the heavens cries
Jess fills the gap and our list is clear,
May never they meet beneath the skies
Where are the presents of yesteryear?

Kris Kringle ride in your merry guise
To scatter our tokens far and near,
And do not blab should the question rise:
Where are the presents of yesteryear?
—New York Sun.

Aerial Spiders

The balloon was covered with cobwebs. "Where on earth has it been?" a stranger asked.

"Up in the air," replied the aeronaut. "It is a strange and inexplicable thing, my young friend, but the upper regions of the air are filled with cobwebs at certain seasons. These cobwebs get in your face, tickling and annoying you. They cling and cling to your balloon till finally it is coated with a silver-gray film, and has long silver-gray streamers flying out behind. Sometimes, indeed, the webs are so thick that one floats through them as through a silvery haze."

"What can they be?" asked the stranger. "Of course they are not real cobwebs. There are no spiders that exist eight or ten thousand feet up in the air."

"Some say they are gossamers," said the aeronaut. "But what is a gossamer, that is what I want to know; and how is it made if a spider doesn't make it?"

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TOLEDO, O., Dec. 21.—A marriage contract over two thousand years old discovered in a tomb near Cairo, Egypt, and now in the collection of the Museum of Art, Toledo, has, it is announced, been deciphered by the Egyptologists at the University of Strassburg, Germany, and found to be from a historic standpoint one of the most important documents brought to light in recent years. George W. Stevens, director of the Toledo Museum says:

"The papyrus determines two matters of great importance. It establishes the period of an Egyptian pharaoh, whose time of reign has been hitherto unknown, and gives us documentary evidence of the exalted financial position accorded to married women in Egypt three centuries before Christ, a position almost undreamed of and unhoped for by the most enthusiastic new woman of these modern days. The last pharaoh, whose period of reign is established, is Khabbasha, and the time 341 B. C.

"From the translation it is established that in case the wife repudiated the husband, she allowed him to take back half his dower. This is the reverse of modern times, especially in European countries, where the wife is expected to contribute the dot or dower. The Egyptian husband not only received nothing from the pride, but had to put up a bonus to make himself a matrimonial possibility. The document shows that in case of a separation he was allowed by the wife to take but one-third of the monies they should have acquired together during the time they were married.

Knocking the Dogfish.

Who that has ever indulged in the pastime of sea fishing does not know and hate with a Carthaginian hate the dogfish? In comparison with this, the sentiments the fisher entertains for muckle-mouthed sculpin and spiny skates are pure sweetness and light. The dogfish is not a fish at all. He is a pseudo shark. He is a brute of such cerebral density that, after being clubbed on the head for half an hour by Shrewsbury clock, he will begin to thrash around afresh in such ferocity of gyration as to send everybody aboard scuttling up the rigging. No faintest race of finer piscine culture is anywhere discoverable in him. He will bodily swallow whole tin cans of spoiled meats, and then, with the virulent intensity of his gastric juices, dissolve the solder to get at the putrid inside contents.—Boston Herald.

Divorce In France.

The complete figures of last year's census of France have been published in today's Journal Officiel, which show that very wearily and slowly the population of the republic is approaching the 40,000,000 mark. For years it was 38,000,000, then 39,000,000, and last year's figures were 39,252,245. Only 750,000 more are wanted to round up the 40,000. Divorces are becoming more and more "popular," as 10,573 were recorded last year. The increase seems to be steadily about 500 every year, and as marriages are only a little over 300,000, there will soon be one divorce out of twenty marriages.—London Telegraph.

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GEORGE GRAY OF DELAWARE, A PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITY

NOW that the next presidential election is no longer a remote futurity, but a nearby certainty that is becoming more and more dominant every day, the eligibility of Judge George Gray of Delaware for the Democratic nomination is attracting a good deal of attention in certain quarters.

For many years Judge Gray has been a unique figure in American affairs. Although his career is dotted with milestones of notable achievement and his reputation for statesmanship and judicial ability is established both at home and abroad, it is his own personality that has endeared him to a public which is as wide as the American Union. This it is more than any other reason which has suggested him to a vast multitude of his admirers as an ideal candidate for the presidency.

It is but natural that those who wish to make George Gray their standard bearer are ready with comparisons to show that their favorite is not a whit inferior in mentality, availability and character to any of the great Americans who have reached the presidential chair, from Washington to the present incumbent. The more rational and judicially minded among his admirers are restraining their enthusiasm and are putting their heads together in an attempt to make it clear whether or not it is possible to give the Delaware man an opportunity to show what he could do in the White House.

They seem to have satisfied themselves—almost satisfied themselves, that is—that such an outcome lies within the realm of possibility. They declare that Judge Gray's written opinions and speeches afford a sufficient basis on which to estimate his attitude on all questions of national policy, and they ask that those public utterances should be read and studied by everybody. In the present condition of things, they argue, this record of a career marked by such moderation and safe conservatism will make a powerful appeal to all those who are concerned about the tendency of affairs to assume an unsettled appearance and will serve to unite the best men of all political creeds in support of the Delaware statesman.

An Upward March.

It must be admitted by all those who are unprejudiced that the career of George Gray from the time of his admission to the bar until the present moment, embracing a period of forty-five years, has been a remarkable exhibition of unswerving devotion to lofty ideals. His life has been a constant upward march. Truthfully may it be said of him that politics sought him and that he never sought politics. It has always been as the loyal citizen, obedient to the mandates of the party which held his political allegiance, that he has been a member of important nominating conventions and never as a zealous partisan seeking personal ends. This fact alone, verified by a backward glance at his political life, has had its influence in suggesting him as a proper man to enter the competition in 1908.

It was in 1880 that Judge Gray became a national figure. He was sent as a delegate from his state to the national Democratic convention, held that year at Cincinnati. That gathering was one of the most turbulent ever held by the representatives of any party. The friends of General Hancock finally captured the nomination for him, but not until three days had been wasted in a series of the most unparliamentary bickerings ever heard in a nominating assembly. The noise of the constant skirmishing was deafening, and little regard for dignity was manifested by anybody. Tammany had been unseated during the early sessions, and its supporters remained to the end to add fuel to the flames.

One who was present as a delegate describes the impression made on the unruly mass by Judge Gray as follows:

"The noise was worse than bedlam, and speeches and motions could be heard by no one save those in the immediate vicinity of the speakers. Only the officers of the convention knew the trend of its proceedings. Nominations were made to deaf ears. California had been reached in the roll call of states and an unknown orator had just finished his laudation of Mr. Justice Field.

"Finally the name of Delaware was pronounced, and there rose in the middle of the hall a big, handsome man of commanding presence, who forced his way slowly to the platform. When he spoke his voice was both deep and silvery, and those who at first had no intention of listening were attracted in spite of themselves. He placed in nomination Thomas F. Bayard for president of the United States. As he proceeded silence fell upon the mob which but a moment before had been howling like a collection of wild beasts. The speaker seemed youthful, but he was magnificent, too, and sternly impressive. It was evident that he was in deadly earnest, animated by ingrained loyalty to principle and deep admiration for the man in whose behalf he was speaking."

"'Gentlemen,' he said, 'our candidate is no carpet knight rashly put forth to flash a maiden sword in this great contest. He is a veteran, covered with the scars of many a hard fought battle where the principles of constitutional liberty have been at stake in an arena where the giants of radicalism have been his foes.'"

These words were the keynote of one of the most eloquent speeches ever made in a political assembly, and it served to fix on the man who made it the eyes of all those who were interested in the course of political events in this country. It made him a marked man, one to be taken into account in future political combinations.

JUDGE GEORGE GRAY OF DELAWARE.

A Power in the Senate.

When Bayard went into the Cleveland cabinet Gray was given his place in the United States senate. There it was, during the Harrison administration, that he succeeded once more in arousing the attention of the entire nation to his wonderful ability as an orator and debater. Although his party supporters were in a hopeless minority, he compassed the overthrow of the famous "force bill" by sheer intellectual effort.

The rise and fall of that rather drastic measure are ancient history. In view of the great advantage which its passage would bring to his administration, the president and his close friends in the senate were anxious to have the bill passed. Although a number of influential senators on the Republican side were opposed to the measure, the majority in favor was so large that little apprehension was felt for the final result. While the proposition was under consideration, according to tactics adopted by the party leaders, the members of the majority absented themselves from the chamber during the discussion by the other side.

At last the day of the final vote arrived. Senator Gorman, who led the opposition, wore the expression of the leader of a forlorn hope. He knew the bill was unpopular with some of the Republicans, but he did not look for revolt. The late Senator Edmunds of Vermont had just finished a powerful speech against the measure, but it was believed that nothing could prevent its passage. Edmunds was evilently of that opinion, for as he concluded his speech he turned to Senator Hoar and exclaimed:

"Now pass your bill!"

A confident advocate of the bill suggested audibly that there was no particular reason why it should not pass.

At that moment the tall figure of Senator Gray rose upright on the Democratic side. Advancing rapidly down the aisle, with his long index finger extended toward the presiding officer, he thundered forth:

"Mr. President, there are many reasons why this bill should not become a law. Some of them have already been given. Some of them have not yet been offered. I purpose to furnish a few of them right now."

The furnishing of those few reasons consumed a period of three days. The majority members, who had assembled in full force to vote, made their way to the cloakrooms, but it soon became known that something unusual was going on in the senate chamber, and one by one they returned to listen. As Gray's argument began to take shape it became apparent to the opposition that a David had risen against their Goliath. Senator Hoar did his utmost to rescue the bill from its impending fate, but his efforts were in vain. The man from Delaware riddled the measure to shreds, and when it came finally to a vote it was buried forever.

During the Cleveland administration Judge Gray was one of its chief supporters. He seconded the president in his unpopular and unsuccessful attempt to restore the Hawaiian government after it had been overthrown in the revolution. As matters turned out, it was rather a quixotic undertaking, but it was sound logically, and that was enough for Senator Gray.

From the first he has been a consistent unbeliever in the financial theories which have been accepted by the majority of his party, but he has antagonized no considerable influence by his course in this matter. He has refrained from violent public criticism of those who were of a different opinion, and when he was offered the nomination for the presidency tendered by the so called Gold Democrats who bolted the candidacy of Mr. Bryan in 1896 and went into convention at Indianapolis he declined to accept it.

When war with Spain was impending Judge Gray stood resolutely beside President McKinley in his efforts to avert the outbreak. It was a service which Mr. McKinley never forgot. When the time came for the naming of the members of the peace commission Judge Gray was first to be chosen. It was one of the graceful courtesies which McKinley understood so perfectly, and it made hosts of friends for him. Senator Gray was opposed to a premature recognition of the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents, and he expressed himself emphatically. He was equally averse to the assumption of sovereignty over the Philippines by the United States. It was for that reason that while in Paris on the mission of the peace settlement he cabled an eloquent protest to Secretary Hay. It was an admirable exposition in its way, and it left no doubt of its author's high mindedness and patriotism. Finding, however, that the cession was inevitable, he did not protract the discussion, but signed the treaty.

Judge Gray's connection with President Roosevelt's extraconstitutional arbitration commission to look into the causes of the great coal strike of 1902 and to devise remedies for existing evils added to his reputation for probity and good judgment. There is probably no man in public life who is more popular among the working people of the country, certainly no one who holds at the same time the confidence of the capitalistic class.

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THE MEN WHO FIRE THE BIG GUNS ON BOARD AMERICAN BATTLE SHIPS

Ships and guns are not the only features of the navy that have undergone radical changes in the past ten years. The men themselves are different, and so are some of the regulations.

In the first place every man now in the navy is an American citizen. There is one old story about us which our enemies enjoyed even better than we did and that's saying a good deal.

It was about a British and an American naval officer who were standing together on the quay when the Britisher pointed to his own vessel and exclaimed:

"Isn't that a noble sight? Five hundred souls aboard her and every one of them a British subject!"

"That's nothing," replied the American. "There's my ship yonder. There are 500 men aboard of her and every one of them is a British subject."

It was a good story in its day, but it is ancient history now. There are no subjects of any nationality whatever aboard American battleships now. There are only American citizens. And though some of them are of the naturalized variety most of them are of American birth.

Even of the latter the navy gets a very different class now than formerly. Once most of the men were enlisted at the seaboard, and not a few of them were the leftovers of other vessels.

They were men of all ages, and pretty frequently of so limited education that it was a custom in the navy for the paymaster to sign all the names on the payroll, the men merely making their marks. The custom doubtless persisted for some time after any real need for it had disappeared, but it is a fact that it was not until the modern naval recruit came to the front that a place had to be found in every sailorman's kit for a pen or a pencil.

The recruits of the last few years hail chiefly from the northern half of the Mississippi valley. Every one of them has to pass an examing board to make sure that he is up to the physical requirements. As a result the American navy of today is being manned by the finest, husktest lot of young men that ever walked a deck.

No Old Men in the Navy.

The age limit is another rule of recent years. Aside from the officers, there isn't today, on board an American warship of any class, a man over forty. The shellbacks of other days, with their frosty beards and their ancient prejudices, have gone.

And with their disappearance has come a new regulation, which is of immeasurable importance to the navy as a fighting machine. Under the old regime the captains of the various gun crews were generally the oldest of the sailors, without regard to the fact that they might be less efficient than some men very much their juniors, both in actual age and in length of service. The way things are managed now, every member of a gun crew is chosen for efficiency, no matter whether he is the oldest in the crew or the merest youngster of them all.

This efficiency is determined by competitive tests, the most ingenious of these being what is known as Morris tube practice. We got it from the British (thank you), but have elaborated it to suit our own methods and ideas.

Actual target practice being an enormously expensive proceeding, it was hardly the sort of food on which the navy could bring up its babes. The Morris tube proceeding was invented to fit the contingency.

For this purpose a Flobert rifle is attached to the top of the regular gun, a pygmy on a giant. The target is placed a certain number of feet in front of the rifle and is automatically manipulated to stimulate the rolling and heaving of a floating target, distances and motions being proportioned for the rifle and small target to agree with those which would exist in the case of the big gun and its target.

Every gun has two pointers. One has the horizontal motion of the gun in his charge, the other the perpendicular.

The former swings the gun right or left—though it is not really the gun but the turret itself which turns. The second man then elevates or depresses the gun to find the center of the target. Every movement is controlled by electricity. The process is precisely the same with the rifle as with the big gun, and when a man's record at Morris tube practice is better than that of his fellows, he next shows what he can do at regular target practice.

Sends Shot Straight for the Target.

While the two pointers are the most important members of a gun crew, the loader is generally its captain. He directs the rest. But it is the pointer who elevates and depresses the gun that carries most of the responsibility.

The sighting is done through a telescope whose lens is screened with fine lines which divide the target into squares. The pointer holds in his hand a key resembling a tuning fork.

"Just a little higher!" he will say to the electrician, keeping his eye glued to the telescope. "A little bit more!" And then he shuts his hand sharply on the two prongs or arms of the key he holds: that closes the circuit, and with a roar the great gun sends its shot straight for the target.

That's a perfectly conservative statement to make, for American gunners rarely miss. Ten years ago we thought the navy could shoot straight and fast, but they can do a whole lot better now.

Whereas it used to take from seven to ten minutes to fire one of the big guns, they now pop them off at the rate of thirty seconds to a shot. And that is while the ship is in motion and at a target 1,600 yards distant and only 17 by 21 feet in size.

As the two pointers of a gun crew receive $10 a month above their regular pay and are pretty important personages into the bargain, there is keen rivalry for the position. Sometimes an experienced mechanic getting high pay secured the coveted place. Again it goes to a mere boy, who is only a common sailor.

One of the best pointers in the navy was a lad of only seventeen. Age made no difference. It was ability to shoot straight that counted.

At target practice a vessel steams along a straight course, marked by flags. A line drawn from the target toward the ship's course would intersect it at right angles, and for battleship practice would be 1,600 yards, or very nearly a mile long. The ship's speed is regulated so that she will cover the firing course in 5 minutes and 40 seconds. An official whistle blows for her to begin and to cease firing.

Thirty Seconds a Shot.

The course is covered once for each battery, and one loaded gun is allowed at the start. For every succeeding shot the guns must be loaded, pointed, and fired.

Yet the forty-eight shots are fired within the five minutes and forty seconds. That is at the rate of thirty seconds a shot, and a good crew will almost promise to eat every shot that doesn't go through the target.

The average civilian has a very indefinite idea as to the conditions inside a turret while heavy firing is going on. He imagines that the roar and reverberation and recoil and all the other r's must be terrific.

Of course, it isn't quite so peaceful as a summer evening in a cemetery, but a gun crew doesn't get the worst effects of its own firing. A greater shock may be felt by some of the crew. Moreover, it is possible to adjust the nervous system to an expected shock, while an unexpected one takes the nerves off their guard.

The greatest force of the vibration from the firing of a gun is naturally just outside the muzzle, and that is outside the turret. So terrific is this vibration that the deck under the muzzle will be ripped to pieces; sheet iron doors will be wrenched from their hangings, and skylights shattered. To guard against these effects the deck under the muzzle is re-enforced with steel plates about an inch thick, and skylights are taken off and replaced with coverings of armor plate.

Of course there is more or less roar and jar felt inside the turret. Men who are looking for the refinements of precaution recommend that gunners wear shoes with cushioned soles and heels to lessen the jar of the deck. As for the air vibrations, due either to firing in one's own or some other turret, that has caused so many cases of gun deafness that the department has experimented with endless devices for its prevention.

To stuff the ears with cotton is, of course, the commonest expedient, followed by officers and men alike during target practice. Here is also what is called the Cheatham device, an English invention, consisting of a mixture of clay and wool. It is very flexible, can be modeled to any ear and still allows its wearer to hear orders.

How the Guns Are Loaded.

Another with which both the army and the navy have been experimenting is the Elliott device. It is in the form of a little celluloid ball which fits into the ear and to which is attached by a tubular stem a celluloid wing which fits outside the ear. The air vibrations are broken up in the angle of the hollow stem and yet orders can be heard through it.

Gun deafness may come immediately as a result of a ruptured ear drum, or gradually, owing to an injury to the auditory nerve.

The recoil of a gun used to be one of the worst features of its firing; that is to say, for the man behind it. That recoil is now largely taken up by a cylinder filled with a mixture of glycerin and water.

As for the turret itself it is a great core running down through successive decks till it reaches what might be called ammunition level. For reasons which are evident this level is well below water line.

The steel casing of the turret turns on the deck; but the roots, so to speak, go deep. Through these roots tons of powder and of shots are hoisted by means of electric elevators. They are first run out of the ammunition rooms on little tracks and from them loaded into the elevators.

From the first hand laid on a sack of powder until the pointer closes his hand on the key that fires the gun everything s done with the most perfect precision. Every man has his particular job cut out for him, and there is no confusion or getting in one another's way. At the same time every man has his understudy, ready at a moment's notice to take his place.

The old picturesque ramming in of the charge has gone as completely as the equally picturesque groups which watched the firing of the gun by hand. Every step in the process is made with the help of electricity.

Signs of the Coming Weather.

As may be expected at this turning point in the season, some weatherwise people are beginning to prophesy the character of the coming winter. Reports are received from Canadian hunters and trappers that the outlook is favorable for a green Christmas and a mild winter. This encouraging prediction is said to be based upon the facts that the bees, which in anticipation of a very hard winter build near the ground, and are now lodging higher than usual in the trees, while the fur-bearing animals are wearing particularly light coats.

In parts of the South, in accordance with old folk lore, some are now predicting that the winter of 1908 will be exceptionally severe, because nature has this year provided an unusually abundant crop of nuts on which squirrels largely depend for food in the cold months. Between the conflicting views of keen observers it is hard to know which to accept.

Nevertheless it is noteworthy that so far there have been no clear meterological indications that the coming winter will be excessively rigorous. Observations have shown that a remarkable fall of temperature usually occurs over the Eastern and Northern States about November 26-28. But no such premonition of a hard winter is now observable, and the temperature changes over the country generally this week have been moderate. It is apparently too early to expect any decisive indications of what the winter will be.—New York Herald.

Claims Dogs Cannot Reason.

The dog is, no doubt, the most intelligent of our domestic animals, and I yield to none in my affection for him. I can almost eat and sleep with a fine dog winter and summer. But I try not to deceive myself about his intelligence. It seems to me that if the dog had the least spark of wit akin to our own—that is, reasoning power—his long association with man would have fanned it into a flame, however small. But after these thousands of years of human companionship and love, he has less wit in some respects than his wild brothers, the fox and the wolf. Having been spared the struggle to live that falls to their lot, his cunning and sagacity have deteriorated. The same is true of the horse, which has less intelligence than the wild stallion of the plains, and for the same reason. These animals do not grow wiser as they grow less wild. They do not civilize or develop. We train them into certain ways that make them serviceable to us; we humanize them without adding to their mental capacity. In other words, we cannot cross our intelligence upon theirs and make it fruitful in them. The germ will not take.—John Burroughs, in Outing Magazine.

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I'll never strike him any more,
Or try to roll him in the snow,
Or ever stand behind the door
To scare him when he doesn't know;
And when the bigger boys come by
And call him names I'll take his part,
And always every day I'll try
To never bruise his little heart.

It's lonesome here, dear Santa Claus,
Since he lies out there on the hill;
His little bed stands where it was,
It's all made up and ready still;
I've got his toys as good as new—
The ball and blocks and jumping jack,
The Noah's ark and engine, too;
Please, Santa, won't you bring him back?
—From the Chicago Record-Herald.

SUNDAY CLOSING ISSUE IN MANY CITIES TODAY.

(From the Pasadena Star).

The good people of Stockton have voted for Sunday closing of saloons. A hard fight against the movement was made by the saloon interests, but the Sunday closing proposition won at the polls. Better observance of the Sabbath is being exacted by laws and ordinances everywhere. New York City has had an application of blue laws, involving the closing of its theaters on Sunday. There has been so much outcry against this, however, the regulation probably will be repealed. In Kansas City the theaters have been forced to close on Sunday, after a bitter struggle. Everywhere there is a tighter drawing of the line against the continental Sunday, which foreigners have done much to introduce in this country.

Dr. Willson, Patterson block.

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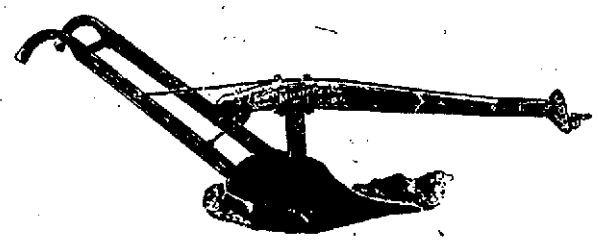

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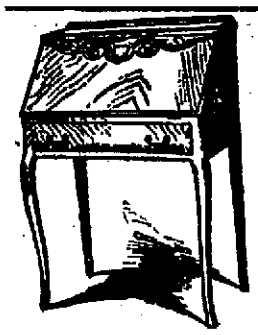

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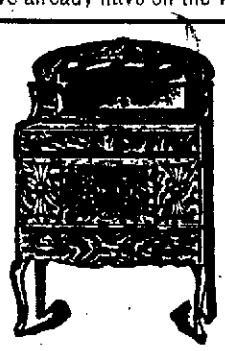

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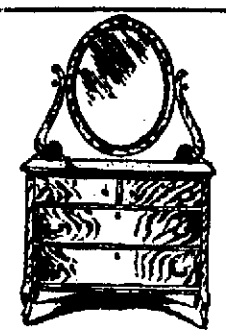

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THE REPUBLICAN LEADS IN GIVING THE NEWS

1907 WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS YEAR OF WIRELESS WONDERS

"Doing things" has been the key-word of 1907's chronicle. It has been distinctly a year of records. These achievements well may be pushed yet further on, in the near future, for the twelve month has been as eloquent of promise as of actual progress, but the advances made in certain lines since January last came in have been of immense importance.

These "certain lines" have not been merely those of size and speed; Dreadnought-type battleships, and Lusitania-swift vessels to the contrary notwithstanding. That the newest of the Cunard's transoceanic greyhounds should cut down the passage to 4 days 22 hours and 53 minutes was noteworthy, of course, but 1907's story, at its best, has rather more pointedly to tell of the triumphs of skill over strength, of mind over matter, of brain over mere brawn.

The "Wireless" Year.

Is 1907 to go down to posterity as a wireless year, or, perhaps, as the year of the aeroplane? Certainly its advances as applied to present-day uses and conveniences have been most marked in these two directions.

Mere wire, indeed, promises to become a drug in the communication market. In spite of the dashed hopes which were born, when, in September, it was (erroneously) reported that Savannah, Ga., had picked up a message from the cruiser Pennsylvania, steaming east to San Francisco, from Honolulu, the accomplishments in this least understood field of invention have been greater than the most sanguine had anticipated. It all culminated toward the close of October. On the 23d of that month, at the Marconi station, at Glace Bay, N. B., a message was sparked over to Clifton, Ireland, the reply coming back in a few seconds under an even five minutes. Four days later no less than 14,000 words were transmitted in the course of usual commercial business.

Whether or no W. J. Willenborg and Prof. R. A. Fessenden bring to pass the promise that New York is to converse, by air, directly with Berlin and Paris, before the birth of 1908, it is a fact that the wireless telegraph has, two months ago, been made the actual, practical, easily available servant of everyday life.

Phones and Power Next.

Count Arco, the Berlin electrical expert, predicts that the wireless phone is next to arrive. With poles thirty feet high he has demonstrated the possibilities of talking through the air at distances of from two to three miles, and the newest ships of the Kaiser's navy are to be equipped with his instruments. The British home fleet is hard at work along the same line, and report has it that our vessels, on their trip this very month, down round the Horn, are to be similarly fitted out.

Nor are we merely to telephone without wires. The deaf are soon to find this mode of conversation open to them. The chief of the Swedish bureau of railroads and means of communication has invented an instrument which he claims makes phone use perfectly possible for the deafest. It consists of a tiny microphone, that can be carried in a stud in the shirt front, a pair of receivers which are scarcely noticeable when worn inserted in the ears, and a dry-cell battery and an induction cord, which can easily be hidden away in a pocket.

Lyons, France, announces that electrical energy may be transported without wires. Naturally, the secret of this is closely guarded, but that there is more in it than mere gossip is certain. Actual patents were registered in August and a syndicate of French capitalists formed to finance the work, Auguste Villy standing at its head. During the experiments at the Chateau du Cret, near Lyons, a full-sized trolley car was propelled some 200 yards along the rails by the "wireless" method.

Telegraphing Photographs.

Telephotography, by which accurate likenesses may be transmitted by wire from place to place "arrived" in 1906; telestereography, a similar idea, though working upon purely mechanical lines and without the use of selenium, which is the sine qua non of the older system, has been for a month in public and practical use. Belin, a Frenchman, who invented the latter method, is flatly claiming to satisfy all commercial requirements before another summer. Profs. Korn, of Munich, and Stern, of Berlin, who hold patents on the earlier mode of telegraphing pictures, have this year made remarkable demonstations. In Feruary Korn sent his photographs 640 miles in six minutes, thus besting his rival, apparently, whose most successful experiment covered but 328 miles.

Speaking of photographs, the world seems a long way still from color photography—the reproduction in prints of life in its natural colors. But 1907 has probably taken the first successful step in this long-anticipated direction. After many years' work, M. Lumiere, of Paris, has now been able to reproduce an image in its natural tints, though all appear in duller tones than they actually possess, and the light-colored outlines "come up" hazy. Only this much is known of the process: That the back of the plate is coated with minute uniform particles of a colored starch, 4,000,000 to the square inch. Next year may see the perfected reproduction worked out to practical uses.

Up in the Air.

If the wireless is not to christen 1907, surely the aeroplane will. Man seems to have shown even more interest in carrying himself through the upper air than in turning it to his account as a mere medium for messages. Count Zeppelin, Santo-Dumont, Col. Templar, of the British Naval Engineers; Capt. Chandler, U. S. A.; Herr Erbslob, and Henri Farman have all contributed to the vast advance made by the twelvemonth in this direction. It seems scarcely too much to say that the problem of aerial navigation is solved. The dirigible balloon is an accomplished fact. Its adaptability to wholly practical uses is only a matter of detail.

It is a marvelous story, and most strikingly told, perhaps, in the bare statements of uncolored facts:

January 2—A. B. Hawley and J. C. McCoy reached New York City by balloon from St. Louis, completing the trip in twenty hours.

February 22—Hon. and Mrs. Harbord, of London, crossed the channel by balloon, landing at Stavelot, Belgium.

April 17—A. R. Hawley and A. T. Atheroid, of Philadelphia, traveled by balloon from the Quaker City of Matawan, N. J.—eighty miles—in two and a half hours, reaching also an altitude of one and two-thirds miles.

June 9.—Capt. Chandler, U. S. A., covered the 104 miles between Washington and Harrisburg at an average rate of thirty-five miles an hour, retaining complete control of his balloon throughout.

July 22—The Patrie, floating for three hours above Paris, at an average height of 2,600 feet, proved herself capable of being steered absolutely at the will of her conductor.

August 27—The German military airship Parseval for more than two hours was operated under full control and against a strong head wind above Berlin.

September 17—The German balloon Pommern (Erbslob, conductor) won the long-distance prize in the international contest, covering 621 miles.

September 18—Col. Templar, Royal Engineers, drove a military dirigible balloon under full control against a fifteen-mile wind in a three-mile circle. He maintained a height of a mile and a half.

September 24—Count Zeppelin circled Lake Constance, with ten others, in his airship. They were in the air four hours and sixteen minutes, averaging thirty-eight miles an hour, under perfect control.

September 30—Count Zeppelin remained for seven hours above Friedrichshafen, Germany, his airship in perfect control.

October 5—Col. Templar made a second most successful ascent over London, maneuvering at will, and maintaining a rate of fifteen miles an hour. The voyage lasted over six hours.

October 8—Count Zeppelin demonstrated successfully the complete dirigibility of his ariship over Lake Constance and the Vorarlberg range before the King of Wurttemberg.

October 15—Santos-Dumont's aeroplane maneuvered near Paris, reaching a 25-mile-an-hour speed, under control, and at a height of twelve meters (thirty-seven feet).

October 18—Erbslob and Heideman, in a 35,000-cubic-foot balloon, sailed from St. Louis to Redbud (thirty-seven miles) in three and a half hours, the wind being light and veering.

October 24—Erbslob, in the German Pommern, won the long-distance prize in the St. Louis international race, reaching Ashurk Park, 873 1-2 miles.

October 26—Henri Farman drove his aeroplane 2,530 feet, and at a height of ten feet, in fifty-three seconds, breaking all records.

Balloon or aeroplane, achieving height or distance or more complete dirigibility, it is throughout a remarkable list of achievements for only ten short months. Perhaps it is right here that lies the year's high-water mark in the accomplishments of skill and brain—an aeronaut would say so!

On and Under Water.

Santos-Dumont has bet $10,000 that his new hydroplane, a sort of floating windmill, can do sixty miles an hour, but he has yet to win the money. Experimenting on the Seine October 23, he came within 12 miles of the rate he has set as his goal—and 48 miles an hour by water is "going some." It is to be added, however, that so far only "rate" has been achieved, not distance; something more than 650 yards is the longest stretch yet covered. The hydroplane is driven by a propeller revolving in the air, and is 30 feet long, hough weighing less than 200 pounds, being constructed of a light bamboo frame, covered with a silk and rubber envelope.

Another Frenchman, Leias by name, has covered (November 8) the stretch between the Nevilly and Asnieres bridges over the Seine at a 34-knot clip.

Twice during the twelvemonth, too, has man proved the ease with which he is some day to travel under water as well as on it. In October the "U" submarine boat, of the German navy, surpassed all records for submarine trips traveling submerged 600 knots under steam. Last month engineers marched dry-shod from Brooklyn to the Battery, New York, under the East River. The underwater tunneling of the year might, indeed, fittingly be dwelt upon for the wonders it has, alone, accomplished.

Transoceanic tunnels, however, are a long, long way off. Seasickness will not be counteracted by mere pedestrianism for a good many years to come Wherefore Dr. Schlik's gyroscopic appartus for removing, or at least greatly minimizing, a vessel's motion, will properly be written down in any list of recent achievements of man's brain. It consists of a fly-wheel about a yard in diameter oscillating on trunnions and making up to 3,000 revolutions a minute, and is placed in a compartment immediately ahead of the boilers. Tried on some of the British torpedo boats, it has proved highly successful, its practical effect being to extinguish rolling almost instantly.

The Monorail.

If the man who makes two ears of corn grow where but one grew before is justly to be accounted a benefactor of his kind, then equal honor should fall to the man who can make a locomotive travel on one rail instead of two. Louis Brennan, of London, did just that last May, using the self-same gyroscope principal upon which Mr. Schlick's invention is based—and British scientists have stood by and marvelled. When the Royal Society gave Mr. Brennan his reception his engine ran on a single wire rope as easily as does the ordinary machine on twin rails.

If the air ship is materially to affect the future of war, so well may this monorail. It can be laid with as much expedition as the field telegraph, and can be used to convey men or operations in the shortest time. Its inventor also anticipates that it will become useful in remote and sparsely populated districts, where an ordinary railroad would not pay. That he himself is quite enthusiastic is quite natural; that there are many who doubt, was equally to have been expected. But whatever may be the future of his work, he has certainly turned out what is, to all really practical purposes, a new instrument of locomotion.

He has gained his right to stand well to the fore of those who have made of 1907 a year genuinely noteworthy for its achievements born of expect skill and speculative brain.

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"Backward, turn backward, o time in your flight,
Make me a child again, just for to-night."

And may this particular night be the night before Christmas. To dream of waking on the gladdest, merriest day and finding one's self the proud possessor of a train of cars that runs on a truly track with depots, switches and tunnels (shades of our grandfathers what luck!) To press to one's heart a darling Teddy bear all decked out in gay cap and sweater to match (shades of our grandmothers forgive us!); but how can one help loving those old "Teddys." Is it a sign that we are going back to the simple life when the children prefer them to dolls?

To wake in a perfect ecstacy of joy to the sight of bulging stockings and glittering Christmas trees—small wonder that one should long for the unalloyed happiness of the children. To be sure, the parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers, cousins and aunts are privileged to join the madding crowd that is making all this childish joy possible and certainly enjoy to the full the pleasure of preparation, yet they are filled with the "cares that infest the day" and the anxiety of making one dollar (in scrip) do the work of two. But thanks to the overflowing variety of cheap and beautiful toys, there is no reason why all the dear children should not be made happy, and it is worth all the sacrifice and self denial of the older generation to make them so. There are still "three days of grace," and if there are any Mr. Scrooges in our midst let them follow his example—repent and change their natures, and go out to find Tiny Tim.

The weather man has been kind this holiday season. The crisp air of the sunny days has made shopping a delight and the business center looks like a real metropolis, of which all loyal Fresnans feel justly proud.

Boys and girls home from college greet each other on every hand and holiday visitors are adding their share to the general festivities. There is to be little of formal entertaining during the coming week. Some Christmas frolics within the home circle which always includes two or three others on this day will celebrate Christmas itself.

Tomorrow afternoon Mrs. Edward Eliot, who is looked upon as a sort of fairy godmother by the little folks of her acquaintance, will have quite a party of children at "Arden," where a real Christmas frolic will be given. The youngsters are all looking forward to this party with great glee, for the "Arden" children parties are famed the country over.

While the "Lamb" dinner in Risley hall on Tuesday cannot be termed a strictly "social affair," as the guests will probably not be from Fresno's first families, but it is a safe wager that there will be more real interest in this gathering of two score of poor little waifs, who perhaps will have their first taste of turkey on this important occasion, than in the most fashionable gathering. These pretty maids with the real Christmas spirit in their hearts are happier in this philanthropic work than they would be giving the smartest function for pleasure.

Friday night the active "Dix" girls will be hostesses at a dance at the Hughes hotel, which is being anticipated with great pleasure by the younger members of society. There are to be some holiday visitors here for this event, guests of the college boys and girls. The invitation list is confined strictly to the young people now in school and the members of the alumni more recently graduated.

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The week between Christmas and New Year's will be more lively than the week to come. Mrs. George Warlow and Chester Warlow will be at home to the younger set on Monday afternoon, December 30th, when the honored guests will be Misses Mable and Elsie Lawrence of Vacaville, who are expected the latter part of the week on a holiday visit to the Warlows.

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The Eschscholtzia New Year's dance is a festive date for the smart set, who have gone in for dancing more than usual this winter and seem to enjoy these dances immensely. The committee have issued invitations to out-of-town guests who hope to be here for this dance, so there is no doubt as to the size of the merry throng of New Year's eve celebrants. The idea seems to have gone abroad that this is to be a bal masque, but this is not the case. While it is to be a very smart occasion at which doubtless a number of new frocks will make their debut, there are toom any who regard a masquerade in the light of a nuisance to make the plan of giving one in the club a feasible one.

There is some talk of making the January dance (the last of the series) a cotillion. There are several Beau Brummels in society quite up to the task of leading a cotillion and several of the matrons have expressed their willingness to assist in making the favors. Favors are no small expense in an affair of this kind, but the fashion now is to have favors of the simplest kind. A foreigner in New York's "four hundred" described the giving of expensive favors as extremely vulgar and a proof of crude society. So at a recent cotillion the prettiest favors were pink and red roses caught in loops of ribbon to match. Such favors might be easily made and the fun of concocting clever ones would add to the ladies' pleasure of the evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Smith left last night for the South to spend Christmas with Mrs. Smith's family in Los Angeles. A few days after Christmas they expect to come north to San Francisco from where they will embark for Tahiti for a month's cruise on the Pacific.

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Among the Stanford students home for the holidays are Miss Edith Hayden Miss Eva Clark, Miss Gertrude Draw, Miss Isabel Noble.

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Fred Pottle spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pottle, returning on Friday morning to San Francisco.

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Miss Lillian Niggle of Mill Valley is expected the latter part of this week to be the guest of Miss Luella Swift for a week. The girls were class mates at Dominican College in San Rafael. There will no doubt be some pleasant social affairs for this charming visitor who is an unusually pretty and accomplished girl. She arrives on Friday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Louis Einstein and son Edwin left yesterday morning for Napa to spend Christmas with Mrs. Einstein's relatives. Miss Elsa Einstein is already there and will return home with her parents after Christmas.

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Miss Ada Harvey arrived last night to spend Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey. She returns to San Francisco Christmas night. Miss Alice Harvey has just returned from the East, where she has been visiting a married sister, who was formerly Miss Constance Harvey. Before Christmas the eldest sister, Miss Lou Harvey, will arrive from San Francisco to complete the family circle.

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Miss Fie Day of Sioux City, Iowa, is expected the end of the week on a visit to Miss Georgia Clark. The two girls were classmates at the Girls' Collegiate in Los Angeles. Miss Georgia arrived a day or two ago, accompanied by Miss Ethel Pierce, who is also a Girls' Collegiate student.

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Fifty-two children at the Fresno County Orphanage were given a glimpse of Christmas joys and made happy with gifts dear to childish hearts yesterday afternoon. A committee composed of Mrs. Lee Gray, Mrs. Lee Gundelfinger and Mrs Frank Short had the affair in charge and were most ably assisted in trimming the tree by Lionel Dalton, who each year very generously gives of his time to this good work. The dozen or two spectators of the happiness of the little people found it a cheering sight as well as rather a pathetic one to see these poor little children who know no other home but this one delighted with one or two gifts from the tree laden with joys, while many spoiled darlings of modern American homes cannot be satisfied with several times that many toys which are soon cast aside.

"A finer looking lot of children I never saw," said one of the on-lookers, and it was indeed true. All decked out in holiday clothes, scrubbed as clean as soap and water could make them and with a happy expectant smile on each little face, it was a sight well worth seeing and one that touched many of the grownups who were spectators. Only yesterday morning four little boys were brought there, the oldest eight years, whose father has just died of consumption and whose mother is lying seriously ill at the county hospital. Especial pains were taken that these forlorn little fellows should have an extra good time and the serious faces of the newcomers brightened visibly at sight of the big glittering tree and its array of gifts, a goodly share of the prettiest going to these four little brothers, who but for the tender care of outsiders would be forlorn indeed at this happy season when all is brightness to children with fond parents.

The merchants were particularly generous this year in gifts of clothing and an abundance of pretty toys found their way to Mrs. Craycroft's to be used in the Christmas celebration. Kind friends lent their aid in augmenting the supply of Christmas cheer so there were enough toys for each little girl to have a doll, the older ones having pretty sewing boxes, books and other suitable gifts, while the boys proudly came into possession of bats and balls, horns and drums. Each child had a plentiful supply of candy and all was merriment. The children sang some Christmas songs before the doors were thrown open and the tree in all its splendor displayed.

The ladies of the board feel most grateful to all who gave out of their bounty towards giving the children so happy a Christmas treat.

Among the ladies who went out from town to attend the festivities were Mrs. Craycroft, Mrs. T. W. Patterson, Mrs. E. E. Manheim, Mrs. Lee Gray, Mrs. Lee Gundelfinger, Miss Katherine Gundelfinger, Mrs. McDonald, and a number of others.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snow and the twins are up from Selma spending Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gray.

Mrs. Robert Barton and little daughter, Blanch, taken from a recent photograph.

This morning appears a picture of Mrs. Robert Barton and her small daughter, Blanch, a very attractive mother of an equally attractive young daughter. Mrs. Barton was hostess during the past week at a most delightful box party, at which she entertained in honor of her handsome visitor, Mrs. Belle Herbert, of Oakland. Both Mrs. Barton and her guest are very stunning-looking women and as they are always smartly gowned both on the street and at evening functions have attracted much notice. Mrs. Barton divides her time between San Jose and Fresno, having many friends in both places, although Fresno claims her as one of its most charming matrons. Her genial nature and gracious unaffected manners make her a favorite wherever she goes. Little Miss Blanch is one of the prettiest and most precocious little maids in town and as she is always appearing in the most fetching little frocks is the object of much admiring attention from her mother's friends.

Miss Dollie Vogel left Friday evening for Santa Paula to spend the Christmas holidays with her cousin, who before her marriage was Miss Edna Knapp.

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The strenuosity of social life in the larger cities is very aptly illustrated in the following item from an Eastern exchange. If these reports be true it would seem that the game was hardly worth the candle. California society women have too many out door pleasures and are too free from irksome conventionalities to be bothered with such restrictions as seem to hamper their Eastern sisters. The item reads as follows:

A Chicago debutante of last season dined recently at one of the noon-day clubs with a former classmate, who now acts as stenographer in a mercantile house. It was the first time the two had met for many months, and the debutante took satisfaction in detailing her troubles to a fresh and sympathetic ear.

"My dear, I went to four debutante teas yesterday, made two calls, and dined at a buffet luncheon. Mother was furious because at the last tea, I went in one door, walked straight through the hall, and out at the side entrance. She said that nobody saw me, not even the hostess; but I was that tired of being polite and saying what was expected of me that I didn't care whether I was invited to the woman's Christmas dance or not. I have to go to five other parties today."

The little stenographer told her friends about the debutante and said she sighed in relief to think that her work for the day consisted only in writing some sixty letters and filing the carbon copies. Which incident might help out.

Mrs. William Gerry Slade, president of the National society of New England Women, in corroborating her statement that "the very hardest working woman today is the society woman, who is a down right slave to her social obligations. She works harder for her pleasures than women in factories and stores work for supper."

Complaints and echoes of complaints from those who play the social game attest further to what Mrs. Slade has to say. Mrs. Augustus A. Parker said that she "had gone through that list" for Elsa's coming-out party, and she wouldn't do it again for anything in the world—if for no other reason than that her daughter would have to have a small wedding, although a private celebration happened to be the choice of the high contracting parties for other reasons as well. Mrs. Walter Farwell was so concerned at the time of her sister's marriage for fear somebody who ought to get an announcement card would be omitted from the list, that she said she became a monomaniac on the subject, and dreamed and ate and talked announcement lists and nothing else. She would wake up in the night and jot down names, and she wrote them on her calling cards when she was shopping.

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At the Cumberland Presbyterian Manse last evening occurred the marriage of Miss Alma Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wood, well known vineyardists living east of Fresno, and J. P. Schnitzius, a telegrapher of East Auburn. Miss Elizabeth McGarry and George Wood witnessed the ceremony, performed by the Rev. Duncan Wallace. The newly wedded pair left on the 6 o'clock train for Los Angeles, where the honeymoon will be spent. The bride is a clever and accomplished young woman who has followed the profession of trained nurse for the past few years. She is a sister of Mrs. D. B. McCabe of this city.

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Many Fresno friends will be interested to hear of the good times Miss Minnie Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Marshall, is having in the East. She has been spending the past two months in her mother's old home in Pennsylvania, where she has been feted continually. She expects to spend Christmas in Columbus, Ohio, with Miss Ann Clark, who visited with the Frank Lyman's in Fresno, last year. The first of the year she goes to Chicago for an indefinite stay with her aunt and uncle, who visited in Fresno a year or two ago. In Chicago she expects to devote some time to musical study and her home coming is quite indefinite. In the meantime she is enjoying Eastern social life thoroughly, is meeting charming people, and is much in demand at musical affairs. In Newcastle, Pennsylvania, she had the pleasure of singing in the church where for some years her mother was the organist.

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Grandpa's Christmas Shopping

"Stop," said the old man to the clerk. "Tell me what to buy for my grandson, aged 10; another grandson, aged 8; a granddaughter, aged 6; for my niece, aged 15; for another niece, aged 20; for my daughter, for my son-in-law, for my nephew, aged 25; for a little girl who lives in our flat, for the son of a friend of mine, for the son of another friend, for the three small children of a cousin on my mother's side, who lives in Tennessee."

"Any more?" we asked.

"Yes," he answered, "but I can't think of them now. It's enough to think of the presents I've got to buy for the loved ones at home that I mentioned."

"Cheer up," said the artist, "Christmas comes but once a year."

Christmas Sets Fast Pace

"It seems to me," said the old man, with a shudder, "that it comes every two weeks. Why, it seems only a few days ago that I finished buying for last year, and now its the Christmas time again."

"Just duplicate what you bought last year," suggested the artist.

"No," replied the old man, "they keep on growing. Little Susie, who last year was tickled to death with a tin rattle that had a whistle on the end, would turn grandpa's picture to the wall if she didn't get a doll this year. Little Tommy was awfully proud last Christmas to get hobby horse, but now he's grown to man's estate to the extent of a pair of skates and a sweater.

"No, it changes from year to year. I've tried to keep up with the procession, but I'm no lightning calculator and I'm shy on the mathematical mind. Three more Christmases will put me in Elgin or Kankakee.

"I made a horrible mistake last year. I sent a niece of mine a nice silk dress and she wasn't my niece at all. She was my nephew. But I've so many relations I got mixed up. She, or he, I mean, spent the silk dress and then held me up for a fur overcoat.

"Grandpa likes to have a warm greeting wherever he goes, and when he butts in looking for a merry welcome and what you call warm encouragement and finds little granddaughter weeping because he sent her a drum instead of a doll and grandson out in the back yard heaving bricks at the pretty little doll-house that grandpa sent around to have put in his stocking the gladness is gone out of the Christmas time.

"Have you got 'em all straight for this year?" asked the artist.

"I think so," said the old man, as he fished a list out of his pocket. "I've got a dope sheet here containing ages and previous condition of servitude, plans and specifications and what I sent 'em last year and the year before and the year before that. But you look this list over carefully and tell me if you see whether or not it calls for a red flannel suit with fur trimmings and a false face nose."

Fights Shy of Santa Claus

"Nothing like that on this list," said the artist. "Wait a minute and I'll write 'em down."

"Here, here," said the old man, grabbing the list. "You keep your hands off of that document. You write them things down on that paper and I'll call for the police."

"I thought you said you had forgotten to put them down," said the artist.

"Forgot nothing. I just wanted to be sure that I hadn't got absent minded and writ 'em down. That's all.

"Say, young fellows, I don't suppose that you've got any grandchildren that you know about, have you? Let me tell you something. When you get 'em, buy 'em presents. You'll have to. That's all right. It's part of the game. But cut out this playing Santa Claus business.

"Buying presents will put you in the dotty-house, but playing Santa Claus will land you on a small iron cot in the lodoform place, if they don't lay you out on a marble slab. It's always the poor, innocent, unoffending old grandpa, especially if he's got goat whiskers, that is cast for the Santa Claus part.

"I've been stowed away in fireplaces and have eaten soot by the shovelful and caught the rheumatics from the draught and then been kicked black and blue by my merry little grandchildren in hailing my arrival.

"I've got to keep on buying presents, but no more Santa Claus. I have sorrows enough after Christmas, and I don't want the memory of how I played Santa Claus to add to my torment."

"I thought your troubles were all over Christmas, grandpa," said the artist. "What's the trouble afterward?"

"Taking presents back and apologizing for giving the wrong thing," replied he of the long white whiskers. "And also in contemplating the horrible slippers and ties and shaving sets and traveling caps and things that I got and wondering how soon I could burn 'em up without its being noticed.

"Every time my daughter or son-in-law or nephew or niece or grandchild sees me they expect me to be wearing the presents they sent me. My daughter wouldn't speak to me for three weeks last year because she met me down on State street the day after Christmas and I wasn't wearing the bathrobe and the slippers she gave me the day before.

"I used to try to please 'em by wearing the things they sent me.

"I wore a necktie that my niece sent me once because I've got long gray lambrequins that covered it up, but I forgot myself once in a street car and threw my head back to look at them advertisements on the ceiling, and the people across the car had a flash at that necktie and they pretty near had fits. One young smartie whispered to a man with him that either the old papa guy was crazy or he was doing it on a bet.

"Now, I don't mind getting Christmas presents, but one thing I won't do, and that is to wear 'em. I won't wear 'em if the whole crowd refuses to allow themselves to be named in my will."

ART AND NATURE.

The Changes Wrought by Force of Methodical Development.

There are really very few things in use in the world today which have not been materially changed by the forces of methodical development. Civilized men and women themselves are the best examples of this all pervading influence. The beasts of burden and the creatures which supply the world with animal food are remotely different from what they were in the beginning. The work of breeding and training has added beauty and usefulness to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field, and the same upward tendency is noted in those latter days in the flowers which gladden life with their loveliness and which admonish man perpetually of his frailty. Pleasant it is to know that what may be called the sophistication of flowers has robbed them of not a whit of their native charm. There is in the sensuous odor of the American Beauty the magic to revive in any mind attuned to the heart of nature sweet memories of tangled vines and wild roses, creeping and blooming along country roads. The scent of the rich and full carnation will call up in a moment tender recollections of borders of spicy little pinks tended by loving hands that have been folded for years in dreamless repose. In the regal chrysanthemum is seen the amazing product of brave little asters which came to embellish the dooryard with the first chill of autumn and after all of the summer blooms had perished.—Kansas City Star.

Economical Man.

The native pointed out to the stranger an old man who was passing.

"That man," said the native, "beats the world on close figuring."

"Makes a little money go a long ways, does he?"

"Well, rather. In the winter he put revolving doors into a big building that he owns, and he never took them out again all summer."

"Pure matter of economy?"

"Exactly."

"Rather small and mean, I should think. The cost of taking out and putting back the revolving doors ought not to be great, and he's giving his tenants and their patrons a lot of unnecessary labor."

"That's just it," explained the native. "He's making them work for him for nothing. Why, he stores up the power generated by those doors and uses it to run the elevators. Why, the man is so close that he doesn't get mad in summer because he thinks his anger would cause him to give out heat that he'll need in the winter."—Chicago Post.

Didn't Have a Chance.

A New York man tells this story of a friend who was very fond of field sports and possessed a fine pair of red Irish setters. One night he visited a fashionable gambling establishment, taking the dogs with him. He sat down to enjoy supper, when the proprietor, who was very fond of shooting, remarked:

"Those are very fine animals, Mr. Blank. Are they broke?"

"Heavens! No," was the response. "They haven't been in here five minutes."

An Unfortunate Selection.

A member of Brother Dickey's congregation said to him:

"Dey's so many chillun in my fambly we got tired lookin' roun' fer names fer 'em, so we done name de twin gals Poverty en Riches."

"You done wrong," said Brother Dickey. "You'll never git 'em off yo' han's—kaze all men 'll quote de Bible on you en say, 'Gimme neither Poverty nor Riches!'"—Atlanta Constitution.

Old People In Denmark.

Denmark is the paradise of old people. Any man or woman over sixty years of age who can show a good record is housed, fed and clothed at the expense of the nation. The cost per head averages only 25 cents a day, or one-half of what it is in English and Russian workhouses.

How many of those who look up at the figure of Nelson will believe that the statue of "our greatest sailor" is three times as tall as a living man? Nothing in the world is so deceptive as distance, as a run round London with a footrule would show. Nobody, so far as one knows, has ever yet been found to believe that Big Ben is over seven yards across the dial, that the hands are together twenty-five feet long, that the minute hand jumps seven inches every time it moves, that the five minute spaces measure nearly two yards and that each of the dials weighs four tons. You may spend a day staring hard at St. Paul's before you will believe that the ball over the dome will hold twelve men and that the cross above it is ten yards high, ten yards above the dome and weighs a ton and a half. Yet a footrule and the dean's permission are all that you need to be convinced that these things are not what they seem.

Every one knows how impossible it is to fix the distance of a ship at sea or a fire on a dark night, when the contrast of the light with the surrounding darkness brings the vision near though the fire may be miles away. Who of all the thousands passing along the Strand today will believe that a party of workmen breakfasted in the law courts' clock before it was fixed in its place to tell London the wrong time?—St. James Gazette.

Rainwater Good if You Like It.

"When a man gets used to drinking rainwater," said a New Orleans man to the Washington Post, "there is no other water in the world that tastes so good. Most of the people in New Orleans have cisterns in their yards which hold an abundant supply of water caught from the clouds, the purest and best in the world, according to my notion. The winter rainfall alone is used, the summer catch not being desirable. It is somewhat curious that in northern latitudes the cistern water does not keep wholesome and sweet as it does in our country."

Had No Time.

The Boy's Father—Madam, let me ask if your daughter knows how to run a house—can cook, for example, and nurse the sick, mend clothes and, in fact, is familiar with all the multifarious details of domesticity?

The Girl's Mother—Certainly not, sir! Why, if she had learned all these things, her education would have been neglected.—Judge.

A Change.

"Well," said Noah as he hunted for a dry spot on the top of Ararat, "a lot of people came down to the pier to josh us when we started, but I don't see any of them around to poke fun at our home coming."—Life.

Saved by Fireflies.

The gigantic tropical fireflies which swarm in the forests and canebrakes of most of the low lying West Indian islands once proved the salvation of the city of Santo Domingo. A body of buccaneers, headed by the notorious Thomas Cavendish, had laid all their plans for a descent upon the place, intending to massacre the inhabitants and carry away all the treasure they conveniently could, and had actually put off their boats for that purpose.

As they approached the land, however, rowing with muffled oars, they were greatly surprised to see an infinite number of moving lights in the woods which fringed the bayou up which they had to proceed, and, concluding that the Spaniards knew of their approach, they put about and regained their ship without attempting to land.

How It Happened.

Judge—How did you come to club this man so severely?

Officer—Well, yer honor, he kept perfectly shtill an' wudn't dodge a single crack I made at him.—Judge.

He who gives a trifle meanly is meaner than the trifle.

One of Mrs. Stanton's Retorts.

Once a fashionable woman of Newport expressed to Elizabeth Cady Stanton a fear that it was not entirely modest for a woman to speak in public. The dignified president of the suffragists looked at her with mild surprise. "Why," she said, "there are not so many people at our convention as there were at the ball last night, and surely it is more modest to make a sensible speech in quiet costume than to exhibit one's bare arms and shoulders at a public dance in the embrace of a strange gentleman."

Wheat and the Boy.

Willie—Pa, what does "good as wheat" mean?

Pa—Don't bother me.

Willie—Pa, would you say I was as "good as wheat?"

Pa—I might after you were properly thrashed, and that's what will happen to you if you don't stop asking questions.—Philadelphia Press.

The Lucky Man in the Case.

"Do you remember Miss May, the girl who had such a bad disposition? Well, she is married."

"Indeed! Who is the lucky man?"

"Fred."

"Why, he is the one she discarded."

"Just so. That is why I say he is lucky."—Chicago News.

REPUBLICAN'S GREAT CONTEST ENDS IN AVALANCHE OF VOTES

GRAND PRIZE WINNERS.

Mrs. George Cobb, winner of ranch .....1,919,573 votes
Frank M. Shuck, winner of Rambler touring car....1,728,328 votes
Mrs. W. D. Smith (Dinuba) winner of Rambler runabout ..... 611,589 votes

HAWAIIAN TRIPS.

S. George, J. N. Poole, Lucy Price (Madera), Miss Leah Thomas (Los Banos), Miss Mary Fisher (Hanford), Miss Della Peden (Lindsay).

YOSEMITE TRIPS.

Miss Ida McDonald, Miss Aileen Brewer, Miss Christina Larew (Madera), Miss Julia Dwyer (Turlock), Miss Grace Dickie (Lemoore), Robert Blois (Dinuba).

COAST TRIPS.

Fuller Collins, Mrs. Max Hoen, Stuart Evans from District 1.

H. Wilhelm, Mrs. Lenora Downer (Del Rey), Martina Rasmussen, District 2.

Irene Glas, Henry Lecussan, Golden Koonce, from District 3.

Norman Giesy, Lillian Burnham (Ceres), Maud Mack, from District 4.

William Knapp (Hanford), Frank Rock (Armona), Leon J. Isall (Hanford), District 5.

Mrs. Scott Ballagh (Porterville), Miss Bessie Brooks (Visalia), Mrs. Myrtle Townsend (Visalia), District 6.

Total vote cast, 11,923,728. This together with the standing of the various contestants was certified to by the following contest judges: G. P. Cummings, C. L. McLane, Walter J. Whitney.

Mrs. George Cobb.

F. M. Shuck.

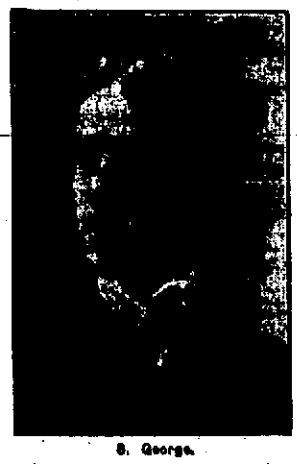
District No. 1.

Mrs. George Cobb	1,919,573
S. George	1,534,206
Ida V. McDonald	582,747
Fuller Collins	360,076
Mrs. Max Hoen	269,948
Stuart Evans	135,669
Violet Cotton	111,795
Minnie Eisele	81,019
Mrs. Francis Sherman	81,425
Chester Crane	85,329
Mrs. Curtis Noel	36,013
Ida Simmons	29,418
Ed Freites	21,210
Mrs. J. A. Thunen	15,950
Claude Jones	8,937
Creed Clark	7,869
Frank Bagley	5,472
Ben Beard	4,607
Margaret Jonsen	4,643
John A. Nuwell	3,000
Mrs. M. J. Starkey	2,941
Robert Smith	2,876
Allen Ellis	2,412
Clinton Comstock	519
Edward Levitt	400
Arthur A. Murphy	300
C. E. French	100
Fred Main	85
Bessie Stimson	3

District No. 2 (Fresno Outside City).

F. M. Shuck	1,728,328
J. N. Poole	818321
Aileen Brewer	661910
Mrs. Lenora Downer	327,072
Martina Rasmussen	287,509
H. Wilhelm	259,223
Harvey Harris	118,060
A. M. Rutherford	85,833
J. C. Jensen	60,203
J. Chrisman	58,302
Eddie Tawney	56,606
Della Wolfe	43,002
William Larsen (Reedley)	33,093
Carl Larsen	24,539
Henry Young (Selma)	23,521
Ida E. Nelson	12,600
Lulu Rutledge	13,728
Elgin W. Foulke	10,647
Elmer Church	7,620
J. R. Green	6,637
Charles Tibbs	6,600
S. L. Thomas	6,017
Edna Duncan (Sanger)	4,660
Ralph Walker (Selma)	3,179
Connie Price (Empire Colony)	1,252
Mrs. M. Kelly	1,000
Mrs. Easterbrook (Wolters Colony)	300
Paulina Adlesnuch (Kingsburg)	16

Miss Julia Dwyer, (Turlock.)



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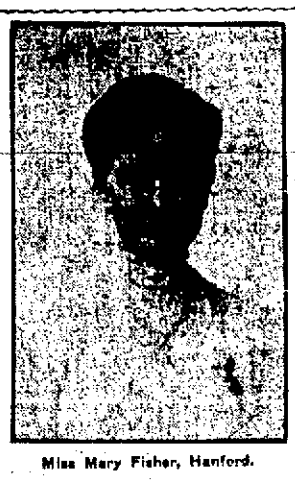
Mrs. Lenora Downer, Del Rey.



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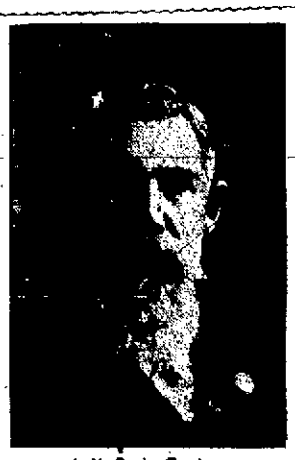

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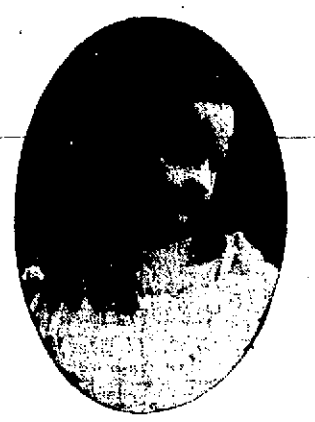


Aileen Brewer, Selma.

With a tremendous vote reaching well up into the millions, the Republican's grand voting contest closed last night at 5 o'clock, thus ending one of the biggest, most successful contests known in the newspaper field of the San Joaquin valley. At the close of the polls the business office was a surging mass of humanity, the friends of the contestants all eager to cast the final block of votes which might declare a friend the winner.

Satisfied Winners.

Almost from the beginning the race has been so close that at no time has one been able to pick the winners. Now that the matter has finally been decided there are thirty-three very happy, satisfied people who are to be rewarded for their splendid efforts in the paper's behalf. The promised Christmas gifts are about to be bestowed on the deserving candidates. Of course, everyone could not be a winner and one of the best features about the contest is the fact that there is a general feeling of satisfaction. Some may have expected the capital prizes but there were a great many candidates after three prizes and naturally it took a big batch of votes to land the big plums.

Equal Chance for All.

The division of the valley into six districts gave all an equal chance at the big prizes with a doubly big opportunity to win the trips of which five went to each district. The candidates all feel that the offers made them were most generous and have made a demonstration of their appreciation in the excellent work they have done in subscription getting. There was no favoritism shown. All the work was done by the candidates themselves and all communication to the business office was on strictly a business basis—another reason for the feeling of satisfaction on the part of the contestants. It was share and share alike in all offers made by the paper. This rule strictly adhered to had been the basis of the contest's success.

The prizes which are of exceptional value—the best prizes ever given in a newspaper contest in the San Joaquin valley as all the contestants will bear willing testimony—were all worth striving for. Those who have done the hardest work, piled up the most votes and won the biggest prizes will appreciate them more for having worked hard to win them.

Advertising Value.

No expense was spared in securing the prizes which amounted to $10,000 and the management of the paper feel more than satisfied from a financial and advertising view point with the outcome of the contest. At the beginning of the contest the circulation of the Republican was 9,400, and today it is 10,600, a gain of 1200 in three months. Today's issue will reach the 11,000 mark but the average circulation will be 10,600. This in itself is a big gain aside from the advertising value this gain means. The public has maintained the deepest interest throughout in the big competition, for there was scarcely one who did not have some friends to rustle votes for. This widespread interest has won new friends and admirers all over the valley for all of which the Republican feels deeply appreciative of the contestants' splendid work.

On account of the magnificent value represented in the prize offers the rivalry has been of the keenest, yet always good natured. Candidates have worked hard against each other and the result has been a tremendous piling up of votes. Some of those who worked the hardest, perhaps, were not lucky enough to have the number of votes necessary to get the coveted trophy, yet they are not disconsolate for they feel that the experience they gained is worth a great deal to them even though they were not of the "lucky thirty-three."

The winner of the ranch may well feel proud of having won such a prize as has never before been given by any California newspaper. It is a decided achievement. The automobile winners have the right to feel equally elated for such prizes are not handed out to the public every day. They were worth all the work the candidates put into winning them. Six lucky candidates take a trip to Hawaii, the Republican's treat. Surely this is consolation enough for anyone that tried for but did not win a capital prize. The Yosemite and coast trips all offer delightful possibilities to the summer traveller and are consolation prizes well worth having.

The complete count is as follows:

Miss Golden Koonce, Madera.

Henry Lecussan, Madera.

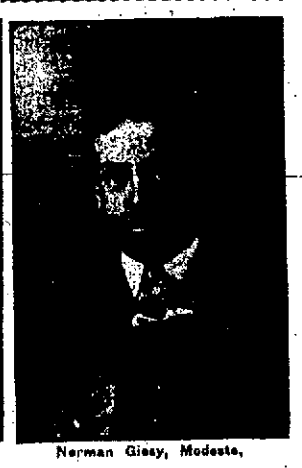
Mrs. Myrtle Townsend, Visalia.

Miss Grace Dickie, Lemoore.

Mrs. Max Hoen.

Frank Rock Armona.

Fuller Collins.



Norman Giesy, Modesto.

Miss Leah Thomas, Los Banos.

Miss Christina Larew, Madera.

Irene Glas, Madera.

District No. 3. (Madera County)

Miss Lucy Price	107,522
Christina Larew	80,654
Henry Lecussan (Madera)	62,848
Irene Glas	56,227
Golden Koonce	30,507
Lorena Phillips Post	8,324
Joe Goode	1,000
Hale Gleason	400
Lillian Duncan	212

District No. 4 (Merced and Stanislaus Counties).

Leah Thomas	122,751
Miss Julia Dwyer (Turlock)	28,813
Norman Giesy	21,867
Maud M. Mack	10,504
Miss Lillian Burnham (Ceres)	10,252
Bertie Reinghaus (Merced)	3,132
Mrs. J. E. McMeneny	1,700
Mrs. Susan Hurd (Modesto)	1,637
Miss Marie Myhern (Merced)	1,600
Miss Genevieve Ergo (Merced)	1,000
Ruby Cole	1,000
Kate O'Leary (Modesto)	500
Miss Francis Atkinson (Modesto)	500
Myrtle May Huddleston (Modesto)	409
Hersilia Simmons (Ceres)	400

District No. 5 (Kings County).

Mary Fisher (Hanford)	355,628
Grace Dickie (Lemoore)	51,345
William Knapp (Hanford)	15,000
Frank Rock (Armona, Kings Co.)	14,200
Leon J. Isall (Hanford)	9,100
Miss Donna Gill (Hanford)	4,200
Mabel Bursell (Hanford)	2,307
Miss Beatrice Hawley	1,700
Ollie Lambert (Hanford)	1,468
Mattie Rockwell (Hanford)	1,000
S. T. Owings (Armona)	974
Miss Fern Walker (Corcoran)	900
Amos Champlin	40
Ernest Base (Hanford)	37
Ed E. Hart	1

District No. 6. (Tulare and Kern Counties.)

Mrs. W. D. Smith (Dinuba)	611,589
Miss Della Peden (Lindsay)	89,513
Robert Blois	39,891
Mrs. A. Scott Ballagh (Porterville)	38,760
Mrs. M. Townsend (Visalia)	21,100
Bessie Brooks (Visalia)	22,593
Bessie Wilkins (Tulare)	16,571
James M. Chandler	7,238
Miss Carrie Fischbach (Visalia)	5,113
Arthur Jack	5,000
Minnie Haydock (Tulare)	4,687
Miss Grace Whaley (Bakersfield)	3,281
Clarence Burnett (Tulare)	2,687
William Veine (Tulare)	2,404
Gladys Blaine (Visalia)	1,700
Miss Hazel Baker (Tulare)	600
Fannie Hulen (Visalia)	500
Miss Winfred Lourman (Bakersfield)	500
Miss Clara McVitie (Bakersfield)	400

Mrs. Herman Peyser	5
May Feltes	4
Earl J. Wells (Selma)	3
Leo Wells	2
Frank J. Sanders	2
A. M. Hersey	1
G. T. White (Dickenden)	1
Mrs. Lizzie Cleveland	1
Chas. Dailey (Kingsburg)	1
John Dwyer (Elephaugh)	1

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"Last Call For Dinner In the Dining Car"

This is a little different call, but it answers the purpose of reminding you that the time is getting very short in which to select your Xmas presents. We have been doing an elegant business and we anticipated it and purchased accordingly, so you can still find a good assortment of everything in correct gifts. Remember our specialties—Gruenhagen's fine candies, Parker Fountain Pens, Ward Safety Razors, Perfumery of all kinds, both imported and domestic and so many novelties its would tax this paper to enumerate, so let's drop the subject with an invitation to you to drop in and look at

Monroe's

Fresno's Quality Drug Store
Corner Mariposa and J Sts.
Phone No. 74.

S. L. PLATT NOTIFIES POLICE OF BURGLARY

S. L. Platt reported to the police yesterday that burglars had broken into his home at 553 Nielsen avenue and stolen a quantity of jewelry and clothing and a leather suit case. The value of the stolen articles is placed at $100. The missing articles are a lady's and a man's watch, two watch chains, a scarf pin and two rings, a suit of clothes, two pairs of trousers and an overcoat.

NO BLANK CARTRIDGES TO BE USED BY MILITIA

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21.—Adjutant General Lauck, having in mind the deplorable accident at Bakersfield, in which a member of the company there was killed, issued an order today prohibiting absolutely the use of blank cartridges in arsenals in this state and providing that any officer who offends shall be placed in arrest and charged with disobedience of orders.

PERSONAL MENTION

George Andrews of Coalinga is a guest at the Hughes.

J. H. Parker and wife of Madera are at the Grand Central.

Oma E. Grunsley of Tulare is registered at the Hughes.

R. K. Sweetland of Lemoore is at the Grand Central.

Leona Carter of Tulare is staying at the Hughes.

The following are registered at the Grand Central: I. and E. Fisher, B. F. and William Whitsett, H. H. Hart, Coalinga; R. J. King, L. S. Smith, Hanford; A. E. Fry, Lemoore; A. Tournier, United States Department of Agriculture; W. E. Whittington, Dinuba; T. R. Hooper, Sultana, H. A. Savage, H. Haxelton, J. E. Imrie, C. A. Smith and wife, Sanger; H. T. Kirch, Mrs. R. Brown, Miss A. and Miss D. Carmichael, Reedley; J. H. Hill and wife, Selma; Dr. B. Hearn, Porterville, George W. Reynolds, Gerald Hoeflor, Kerman; R. J. Montgomery and wife, Madera.

EXTRADITION PAPERS FOR BANK DEFAULTER

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 21.—Governor Rollin S. Woodruff today signed extradition papers for William F. Walker, the defaulting treasurer of the Savings bank of New Britain, who was arrested a few days ago in Mexico. The papers were turned over to Chief Egan of the state police, who left for Ensenada, Mexico, to bring the bank looter East. Chief Egan will stop at Washington for a warrant from the state department.

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HEAPS OF GOLDEN FRUIT PROVE FRESNO'S CLAIM TO ORANGE BELT

The display of citrus fruits now on exhibition at the Chamber of Commerce building is attracting a great deal of attention, and is drawing crowds daily, not so much because the exhibit is handsome—which it is—as because it represents in a way one of the flourishing and growing industries of the county. The culture of citrus fruits, while it is in its infancy here, is nevertheless a very profitable industry, and one in which an increasing number of the people are engaging from year to year. The interest in this branch of agriculture had its real incipiency here as lately as ten years ago, and even then the growing of oranges and lemons was not found uniformly profitable. Then, the discovery of dry bog growing, and other improvements brought the paying part of the orange orchard to the front, until now Fresno county ships out hundreds of cars of the earliest fruit every year, and the growers make from $200 to $1,000 per acre on their crops.

People from the southern part of the state, or even the counties adjoining Fresno on the south have been accustomed in the past to state that Fresno county could not grow oranges. It would only be necessary for those people to see the fruit on exhibition here, and to be told that there is a very great supply of the same kind in the orchards, or now rolling on the way to the market, to realize that Fresno county can raise oranges, as well as any other part of the state can. It was stated by a prominent grower who has studied the orange industry of the world, while he was viewing the exhibit yesterday, that better oranges could not be grown.

Artistic Display.

Good as the fruit is and would be under any circumstances, the artistic arrangement of the display enhances the beauty of the exhibit to a very appreciable degree. The southeast end of the building is devoted to products from the Centerville district. Dr. G. A. Hare has a fine display in the southeast corner of the room. In this display, which is very artistically arranged, there are lemons, oranges, tangerines, emperor shipping grapes, and pomeloes. On the stand just south of the center piece in the room, is the Helm and Maupin exhibit. Oranges and lemons of the best quality are piled up in an immense pyramid. Pomeloes, which figure in the design of the exhibit, were furnished by Dr. W. N. Sherman of the Minnewawa vineyard.

In this south end also, Dr. Sherman has a very attractive exhibit of olive oil—the only one of the kind shown at this fair. The oil is clear and apparently of excellent quality.

W. G. Uridge has a very artistic and extensive exhibit, also from the Centerville district. The design in oranges and lemons, shown here, is his. He also has a table covered with the luscious, golden fruit of exceedingly good quality.

N. W. Moody, who also has his ranch in the Centerville section, has his display partly in the south wing and partly in the north. He has several shelves on which the fruit shows to good advantage even because of the simplicity of the arrangement. He also has a big pyramid of fruit piled near the center of the room, and a large and very effective design done in oranges and lemons in the northwest corner of the room. He also has a unique display in some lemons packed for commercial use, which are of remarkably regular size and splendid quality, as good as the best which can be found in the markets.

The Reedley Exhibit.

From Reedley, one of the most striking and original displays is made. The swastika design, made with oranges, lemons and tangerines, shown with this article, is a part of this display, and is set up in the northwest corner of the room. There are also two show cases with this Reedley display, in one of which are the largest oranges shown, which are almost as remarkable for their smooth skins as for their size. Two fine lots of Japanese persimmons are also shown, with many varieties of oranges and lemons. The Reedley display was designed and arranged by J. C. McCubben, who has received many congratulations on his excellent work.

In the north wing also is a table with several single examples of remarkable production in fruits. A magnificent cluster of grape fruit grown and exhibited by Mrs. M. Wade on Forthcamp avenue, is perhaps the most remarkable of the things displayed here. The cluster contains a dozen or more of the big pomeloes, and would weigh perhaps 15 to 20 pounds. Here also are some very large lemons, grown by F. K. Prescott, at 2983 Tulare street. These lemons are perhaps too large to be very valuable commercially.

In the north wing, a nice display of apples is made, from both the west side and the foothills of the Sierras. Among the exhibitors, those who have particularly fine displays are T. B. Wheaton of the west side, J. K. Obert, who grew his fruit near Millwood, and Ben Davis.

Arthur J. Hill has a very pretty exhibit of oranges from the Mount Campbell district. The oranges are Washington navels, beautifully colored by the dry bog soil, and with beautifully smooth skins. They are the same oranges which he has been shipping for the last few weeks.

J. Burns, of the Centerville section, has a fine display of Washington navels.

In the northwest corner of the room, W. N. Rohrer and Company have a display of sweet seedlings on shelves. This is the most extensive exhibit of seedlings shown. This same concern has also a case devoted to grape fruit, all of which was taken from one 5-year-old tree in the Mount Campbell country. Four boxes of the fruit were taken from this one tree, all of it remarkably fine in quality and very even in size.

Most Original Display.

But the most distinctive and original display is that of W. N. Rohrer and Company in the center of the room. It is a fac-simile of Mount Campbell the great orange district, in which this company has large interests, built altogether of large, deeply-colored Washington navel oranges, raised in the district which the display is supposed to represent. At the foot of the mountain, which is built up of 24 boxes of the oranges, and is a very true representation of the original, is piled some of the red, dry bog soil, in which the oranges are grown, and the topography of the country is followed out so closely that the Wahtoke Lake is even put in, with a boat on its surface, and a duck or two.

History of Industry.

The orange culture of this county, which is represented in a way so very striking by this exhibit, has a very interesting history indeed. It had its start by purest accident, when a party of travelers, who happened to be going through Centerville, almost forty years ago, ate oranges for luncheon, and left some of the seeds behind. A few of these were planted, from curiosity, and trees grown from them which are still living and bearing immense crops of oranges. It is said that each of these trees bore several thousand oranges this year. From that time, the industry, which began in curiosity, spread slowly, until, some time later, the navels came, and a good many orchards were put in.

About ten years ago the impulse came, however, which helped to give the present interest in orange and other citrus culture its start. People found that the industry in the counties south of here was yielding immense profits, while a great thing was being made of it in the southern part of the state. In connection with this, some of them noticed that Fresno county had lands one-fourth as expensive as those in the southern part of the state, which would raise earlier oranges as well. So the industry began to be tried out a little, and to prove somewhat of a success, so that the growers got past the stage where a man owned an orchard of oranges largely out of sentiment, if he owned it at all.

Then dry bog farming was introduced in this county by W. N. Rohrer, and something like the present activity in this branch of agriculture began to be manifested. However, culture of citrus fruits is still just growing up here, the increase in the amount of output in the last year over the preceding year being enormous, though it is early yet to calculate the exact ratio. Interest in deciduous fruits and grapes has hitherto held a great part of the interest in farming here. Now a good interest in the buying of orange lands in this county, which is on the increase steadily, is being felt.

The Product is Early.

Fresno county has the advantage, in common with all other districts from Porterville to Orville, of getting out oranges to the market much earlier than is possible for the growers of Southern California, as these have to contend with the fogs and damp winds, and cold of the ocean climate, which are not encountered here. It is stated by one grower in this county that, in case he sent out his fruit as unripe as it is marketed from other sections of the country, he could beat the whole state to the markets with Fresno county oranges.

This question of marketing the fruit while still green, however, is one which is now arousing a great deal of dispute among orange growers. Of course, by picking the fruit green and allowing it to ripen while on its way to the earliest markets, just made here by the consumption of the last down the high prices of the opening of the season, it is possible to get good prices, but the fruit is undeniably poorer than it would be later on, if left on the tree. Then, there is no necessity of getting it off at once, as it has been known to sell for better late Valencias, where it will bring prices in March than it could bring in December.

In Fresno Orchards the trees are planted from 75 to 100 to the acre. While the fruit may be picked by December 1st, it will improve in quality for a long time if left on the trees, and will keep good until the middle of the summer. When the fruit is bought, the sale is usually at auction in some Eastern city. The house which does the shipping generally picks the fruit and even packs it in the field, but the growers in some cases do their own packing, while recently a f. o. b. trade in oranges is being developed for which great things are claimed by its promoters.

Red Foothill Soil.

It is probable that the interest being taken in the red soil of the foothill sections, Mount Campbell in particular, is also to mark a step in advance in the orange culture of the county. This soil is red and heavy, formed largely by the disintegrating of the foothill rocks. It contains quantities of iron and potash, both of which are necessary for the development of good oranges. The iron gives color to the soil, and to the oranges as well so that the fruit produced in this district is markedly redder than that raised in the valley. The soil is called "dry bog," and is of immense depth, so that there seems little possibility of wearing it out. The idea of farming it was brought from Tulare county ten years ago, by W. N. Rohrer, who noticed that the best fruit in Tulare county grew in this kind of soil. Seven years ago the first planting was made. Upward of two boxes to the tree are now produced there. In the eastern part of the county there are 5000 to 6000 acres of the dry bogs unimproved now, and all of it finely suited to the development of orange growing.

Attractive Industry.

The orange industry is beginning to be very attractive to so many people from the fact that, there is never a failure, and that an income of some sort seems assured after a tree is about 7 years old. Still, the success of the orange industry depends largely on the conditions under which it is conducted. It is stated that the higher ground of the foothills is largely advantageous on account of air drainage, which is almost as important as water drainage. Cold air flows down to the plains, leaving the air in the hills, at least on the border of the valley, decidedly warmer than that immediately below. So the probability of destructive frosts is averted.

Income from orange orchards is in some cases as high as $1000 per acre for Valencias, and $600 per acre for navels, though the average is perhaps about half of this. The income is also largely a matter of location, and catching the right market.

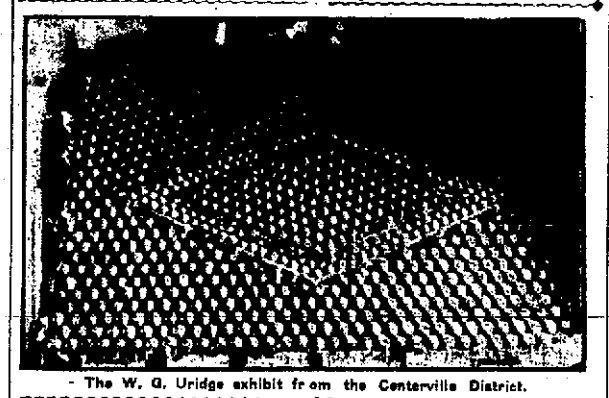
The orange is a long lived tree. Its productiveness increases, as does the quality of fruit produced, for many years after planting. This makes investment in oranges attractive to many persons who are seeking for nice homes.

Lemons are not so widely grown here yet, though they are said to yield almost uniformly wonderful profits. Grape fruit, too, and tangerines have come in lately, and are not widely raised as yet, though they are of such a quality as to make it almost certain that they will be raised more and more extensively.

The Reedley "Swastika" exhibit, composed of oranges, lemons and tangerines.

The Citrus Fair exhibit in the Chamber of Commerce, N. W. Moody and Reedley exhibits in the foreground.

W. N. Rohrer and Company's exhibit—Mount Campbell built of oranges in fac-simile.



The W. G. Uridge exhibit from the Centerville District.

HARDEN CASE MAY BE COMPROMISED

German Emperor Is Said to Be Forcing a Thorough Investigation of Great Scandal.

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—The trial of Maximilian Harden still continues, with the probability that it will last until after Christmas, owing to the large number of witnesses yet to be heard. Rumors of a possible compromise, which were current throughout the day, were strengthened by mysterious conferences between the lawyers during the various intervals. These, however, did not lead to anything positive.

Several witnesses underwent cross examination, and Frau Von Elbe, the divorced wife of Count Kuno Von Moltke, occupied the stand for several hours, but the nature of her evidence was not divulged.

Later it was stated that the searching examination somewhat affected the reliability of Frau Von Elbe's testimony. It also was reported that Herr Harden has offered to withdraw his charges against Count Von Moltke's former wife. The state's attorney, however, insists on threshing the matter out, which course, it is asserted, is taken at the instance of the emperor.

No confirmation of this can be secured and it is impossible even to obtain a reliable inkling of what is occurring within the court room. The throng in the lobbies of the court house are prevented from approaching the doors of the court by strong bodies of police. After the adjournment of the case today, until Monday, Herr Harden suffered a severe attack of weakness and was hurried to his residence. He is now under the care of physicians.

The military court, which Emperor William ordered to try Counts Hohenau and Lynar, will assemble at Potsdam about the middle of January. The court will be presided over by the emperor's adjutant, General Von Loewenfeld.

MEN MAY BE BURIED FOR LONG TIME YET

President Giroux of Mining Company Has No Immediate Hope of Rescuing Them.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—Joseph Giroux of this city, president of the Giroux Consolidated mines at Ely, Nev., where three miners have been buried 1000 feet under ground since December 5th, has received no word of the probable time of the rescue of the men, but has wired Foreman Gallagher to do everything possible for their comfort. So well have these instructions been carried out, that the experience of the men will be similar to that of Hicks, who was entombed at Bakersfield a year ago, but in point of time only. Food and bedding have been lowered to the men through a water pipe and they also are supplied with candles.

There is room for the men to take exercise and plenty of fresh air reaches them, said Giroux. The temperature at that level is ideal for comfort. "I think there is no doubt of their ultimate rescue."

DANGEROUS PRISONER BREAKS FROM JAIL

Uses Part of Bicycle as a Lever to Get Through His Cell Door.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 21.—George Myers, considered one of the most dangerous men in the city prison, escaped tonight while the jailer was feeding the prisoners. Many bicycles were piled against the bars in the rear of Myers' cell and he reached through the bars, broke off part of one of the wheels and used it as a lever to break the lock of his cell door. He has not been seen since.

GLASS WILL TRY TO SECURE BAIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—A strong effort will be made by the attorneys of Louis Glass to obtain his release on bail pending the decision of his appeal. Notice was served on the district attorney today by T. C. Coogan that he would make a motion to that effect before Judge Lawlor December 24th.

The motion is to be based on the ground that further confinement will result in "great and irrevocable injury to the defendant's health."

LOOK FOR SITE FOR NEW GAMES

The Baseball War In Chicago May Soon Be at a Fever Heat.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—John I. Taylor of the Boston American League club, who left this city last evening for a six weeks visit in San Francisco, remarked before starting that he had no objection to the proposal of placing an American Association team in his city.

James Callahan, who claims to be certain of obtaining an American Association franchise for Chicago, is touring the city, accompanied by M. E. Cantillon, owner of the Minneapolis club, examining desirable sites for a ball park. He favors the old National League grounds at Loomis and Harrison streets. That would be carrying the fight into National League territory for the Loomis street grounds are only a few blocks from the present West Side park.

Callahan says it is the hope of the association people to come in here as a minor league and engage in peaceful competition instead of provoking hostilities. As a minor league proposition, the invaders would be willing to put their park far away from the big leaguers, but if they are treated as hostiles they say they will force the fighting as much as their competitors.

TAFT IS AGAIN AT OFFICE WORK

Receives Notice of Formation of a New Filipino Bank.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—One of the first dispatches laid before Secretary Taft on his return to the war department today, after an absence of nearly four months, was from Manila, P. I., telling of the organization under a new charter of the Banco Espanol Filipino and the election of directors. The dispatch added:

"Deem first duty express our deep sympathy with you in your bereavement and assure you of our gratitude for your earnest and successful support. We shall use our best efforts toward realization of your plans for advancement material welfare of our country."

Secretary Taft reached the department before 10 o'clock and at once got to work on the mass of papers which were awaiting his attention. He also had conferences with various officers of the department and made his headway in familiarizing himself with the condition of affairs.

Cholera Found In Hawaii.

HONOLULU, Dec. 21.—A case of cholera was discovered here today. The patient is a Hawaiian stevedore.

BRITISH WILL NOT ESTABLISH FLEET IN NORTH PACIFIC

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Associated Press is in a position to state on the authority of the British Admiralty that there is no truth in the assertion published in the Standard, today, that the admiralty has decided to establish next May a Pacific-North American squadron, the base of which possibly will be at Esquimalt.

"There is no shadow of foundation for this story; it must be obvious to any one who gives the subject a moment's thought, that such a movement would be the last thing we would think of at the present moment," was the statement made by one of the highest officials of the admiralty.

The emphasis of this denial indicated that the admiralty was anxious that the report should be promptly put at rest, with the view of allaying any suspicion that might be aroused in America connecting the alleged formation of a British Pacific fleet with the sailing of the American battleship fleet.

DECLARES DIPHTHERIA IS NOT CONTAGIOUS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Dr. G. M. Swiney of Bayonne, N. J., says that he will petition the board of health to have diphtheria stricken from the list of contagious diseases. He said that the disease was not contagious, and that there was no necessity in quarantining houses where the disease exists, and no reason for keeping children from school when there happens to be a case in the family. Dr. Swiney asked the Bayonne Medical society to join him in the petition, but the society unanimously declined to do so.

Carmen Threaten Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—The board on of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes today decided that a strike of the motormen and conductors of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company would be called within forty-eight hours unless the company grants the demands of the men. The union claims a membership of 2500 among the 6000 employes of the company.

SHIP SUBSIDY WAS THEME OF MEETING

But Friends of Senator Foraker Took Advantage of the Occasion to Boost for Him.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 21. — The United States senators, congressmen, executive government officials and representatives of many business interests gathered here today in the interest of a ship subsidy. The attendance and enthusiasm shown by the delegates from various parts of the country indicated that the public was taking a great interest in the subject of a merchant marine and a subsidy for seagoing craft.

The convention was in a degree the beginning of a campaign of education, but the greatest efforts of the league will be directed against Congress this winter in the interest of a United States mail subsidy for ocean steamers. This, the supporters of the subsidy believe, will result in a subsidy for general shipping interests and build up an American fleet of sailing vessels. It is contended that the government will have to appropriate about $200,000,000 to place the merchant marine in a position successfully to compete with the merchant marine of other nations where subsidy exists.

The day's conference was concluded with a banquet this evening which was a general love feast over the success of the league in its work so far. The star attractions at the banquet were Senator Foraker of Ohio and Senator J. H. Gallinger of New Hampshire. The whole meeting was not devoid of political phases and this was marked especially by the interest that clustered about Senator Foraker, who was greeted by his present friends here.

New California-Built Steamer.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The Siberian, a 21,000-ton steamer, was launched at the Union iron works today. The vessel is owned by the American Hawaiian Steamship company and is destined for the New York-Hawaiian trade.

BALTIMORE BUILDINGS DAMAGED BY FIRE

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 21.—A fire of threatening proportions broke out about 3:30 o'clock this morning in the five story building at 325 West Baltimore street and was not checked until damage of nearly a quarter of a million dollars had been done.

The building was occupied by the wholesale millinery establishment of Wilenzig Brothers and company, the Baltimore Overall company and Robinson, Van Alstyne and company, cabinet makers. The flames spread to No. 327 West Baltimore street adjoining. This building, also five stories, was destroyed above the second floor. It was occupied by Reinhard, Meyer & Company, clothing, and the Walter L. Denny company, wall paper. The stocks of both firms were ruined. The fire also spread to some extent to No. 323, occupied by the Baltimore Shoe company, where damage was done by water as well as by fire.

Denny, of the wall paper company, said that his stock amounted to about $20,000, nearly all oceered by insurance.

Wilenzig, a member of the firm that occupied 325, could not estimate his loss, but said that it would be very large, as the four floors used by his firm were stocked with the finest kind of millinery, which they were getting ready for the spring trade. His loss is partly covered by insurance.

Wilenzig stated that he employed about 250 hands and that all of them would be out of work, until they started up again.

The Baltimore Overall company employs about 150 hands and this was their busy season.

The damage to buildings at Nos. 325 and 327, inclusive of stock, will probably amount to between $50,000 and $100,000.

TENEMENT WRECKED BY DYNAMITERS

Police Believe the Outrage Was Committed By the "Black Hand" Society.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A five story tenement house on First avenue was shaken from basement to roof early today by the explosion of a dynamite bomb meant, the police believe, for Angelo Trafficanti, a laborer who lives with his wife and four children on the first floor. Every window in the building was blown out and the doors on the first floor were torn from their hinges, but no one was hurt. The authorities think the explosion was the work of the "Black Hand," but Trafficanti says he had received no warning of any sort, and does not believe he has incurred the enmity of any organization.

EXTORTION CHARGE AGAINST MAN WHO THREATENED HITCHCOCK

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The grand jury has returned an indictment against Herman Voecks, charging him with extortion. He is charged with having extorted three diamond rings, valued at $800 and with having demanded $1500 from Raymond Hitchcock, the actor.

Voecks is a brother of Elsie Voecks, who was one of the complainants against Hitchcock when the actor was held on a serious charge. The Hitchcock arrest followed his complaint against Voecks.

The Great Superiority of Our Mountain Apples Confirmed by Our Several Correspondents.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

Establishing Free Produce Markets in San Francisco—Pear Blight in Sacramento Valley.

By W. R. McINTOSH.

I've got them guessing. That article on mountain apples has proven the "hit of the season." Questions have poured in upon me from every quarter. Most of these are seeking for more information, while others were kindly writing in support of what I alleged as to the superiority of mountain apples in general, and over Coast-county apples, in particular.

Comparisons are said to be invidious, and I shall not pursue the subject further than to say that all the testimony I have on the subject verifies what my correspondents have said—viz.: That all mountain-grown apples excel in flavor, size and keeping qualities the coast-grown apples of the same varieties. These things have an important bearing on the subject of apple-culture; in fact they are the all-important considerations.

One correspondent takes pains to explain why our mountain apples are so far ahead of the average coast or valley-grown fruit. He attributes it solely to climatic conditions. "In the basins of the Sierra Nevada mountains," says he, "you have the same conditions as those of the famous apple regions of Oregon, Michigan, New York and the Ozark mountains of Missouri." The correspondent is correct; it requires freezing winters in the apple orchards to make good apples.

Another inquires as to the extent of this superior apple belt. The width of the belt is not great—about 1500 feet—but it extends from the head of the San Joaquin valley to the northern limits of the Sacramento valley, and its altitude varies but little throughout this vast region of latitude.

I find that "there are others"—some of them Fresno lawyers, doctors and business men—who have been sitting up and taking notes on this subject. At least one of these has already acquired a piece of orchard-land in Corlew Meadows, where he proposes to put two hundred acres to apples next spring. He also proposes to try cranberry-raising on the same soil. Others are "spying-out the situation."

A tenderfoot wants to know if the forests, on these lands, have any value. The lands I refer to are known in the East as "timber barrens": the pine and spruce having already been cut off for lumber. There are plenty of small saplings, and stumps "to burn," but you are not compelled to burn them in order to start an apple orchard. The green timber—brush, of course, be dug out and burned; the stumps may remain for an indefinite period.

Unlike the redwood stumps in many of our mountain regions, these do not sprout from underground roots and annoy you for years and years. When the spruce or pine tree is once severed from its roots it is "all off" with the entire life of such a tree.

Our Sierra Nevada mountain apples are not only superior in size, flavor and keeping quality, but the trees are, generally-speaking, free from codling moth and wooly aphis, which require so much time and money to subdue in the Coast and lower valley sections. In what may be termed our foothill section there is codling moth in plenty, very often; but, in the higher altitudes, where alone apples should be grown in this and adjoining counties, there are neither codling moth, wooly aphis nor San Jose scale.

Free, Public Markets.

In the establishment and maintenance of free, fruit and general produce markets in San Francisco the commission sharks of that city are liable to find their finish.

The evils of the private commission system of marketing country produce needs only to be mentioned to be despised. It has afflicted consumers and producers alike in this state ever since its Anglo-Saxon occupancy. It has been attacked in an incompetent and feeble way many times; and, in somewhat energetic fashion, a few times; but it has always come fort as plausible as ever.

With little or no capital and absolutely no risk, scores of fortunes have been made by these useless middlemen, while the industries of the state at many times, have languished and the farmers had nothing to show for their labor.

The new Board of Supervisors of San Francisco are now behind a movement in behalf of free public markets, wherein it proposes to rid the farmers of the commission incubus at no very distant day. The [illegible] has received the following communication on the subject, from John E. Behan, clerk of the said Board of Supervisors:

"Pursuant to direction of the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, I beg leave to advise you that said board recently adopted resolutions providing for the establishment of free markets in San Francisco.

"Inasmuch as the establishment of said markets is intended to effect a closer business relation between the producer and the consumer, the board requests you to give such publicity to this project, as will enable the producers and growers in your section to appreciate the benefits that will accrue to them by dealing directly with the consumer in San Francisco.

"For the information of your readers, I desire to state that plans are being prepared for the first of the city's free markets to be located on West Mission street, between Hermann street and Duboce avenue; and in addition to this, plans are now in readiness for a free market to be established on State property, located on the water-front, at the gore formed by East, Pacific and Drumm streets.

"We shall appreciate it, if, through your columns, you will induce the producers and growers in your section to keep in touch with this office and to correspond with and address their communications to the undersigned. We desire to become acquainted with all the producers and growers in the interior, so that we may prepare to receive their products in the most practical and economical manner; and to this end we invite correspondence from all interior growers interested in the project.

"We cannot too strongly emphasize the benefits which the producers will reap from coming in direct contact with the consumer of this community. The markets will be managed under city control, and the rules and regulations will be such as will insure an absolutely square deal to every producer who brings or sends his produce to these markets."

The San Francisco Chronicle, which has supported this free market movement from its inception, referred to it in a recent issue as follows:

"The active co-operaation of the producers in making successful plans to establish free public markets in this city has been assured in many letters received from all the districts bordering the bay, and Supervisor Brenner, in charge of the preliminary arrangements for the Board, has been much encouraged by these cordial responses.

"The first municipal free market to be opened, (aside from that which the Harbor Commissioners are moving to establish at the water front) at the former site of the Peabody school on West Mission street, is not planned to be a pretentious affair, and the initial cost will not exceed $5000.

"As cleanliness, freedom from rodents and safe storage are among the first requisites of a good market, Brenner proposes, after consultation with President Casey of the Works Board, City Architect Thorp and others, to have the entire lot [illegible] on a cement floor on a concrete basis. The cost of this will be not more than 30 cents a square foot.

"The correspondence coming into the Supervisors' office from producers indicates that the establishment of several free markets in San Francisco will be no less a benefit to the harassed country people, who have suffered many things from the exactions of the commission 'thrust,' than to the city housewives facing the daily problem of buying at extortionate prices their family supplies.

"Light on the producers' woes, some humor and suggestiveness are disclosed in many of the letters.

"To quote from a few of the inquiries and suggestions submitted.

"An interior correspondent writes:

"'I have a lot of apples to sell, and as I wish to get as good a price for them as I possibly can, I take the liberty to write in regard to the free markets you are establishing for the benefit of the producers of the State.

"'Will there be a manager to receive and sell the products and to make the cash returns?'"

"A woman writes:

"'I have some nice fat turkeys to dispose of at the holiday season. Reading your "ad" in the papers—would you please give me the price on them—also on chickens?'"

Inquiries from Producers.

"From another:

"'I am engaged somewhat extensively in the poultry business, especially in the production of eggs. We would be interested to know what provision is contemplated for the regular shipper. What is planned about returning empty coops and egg boxes?'"

"Another inquiry was:

"'Will you handle mistletoe and red berries before Christmas? What prices will you pay per ton for mistletoe?'"

"A producer from Merced county writes:

"'We are producers and ship chiefly poultry and eggs. We will be glad if you will keep us informed as to when the market will receive consignments. We welcome with glee anything that promises to give us a square deal on the produce we ship.'"

Gloomy Outlook for Pears.

I had my say about pears, in the San Joaquin valley, two weeks ago. It was to destroy the few remaining trees just as soon as possible and thus remove the source of sustenance to the pear blight germ. And then by-and-by to plant pear trees again.

It is pretty hard, I know, to destroy all prospects for so luscious a fruit, but that is unquestionably our best plan. The pear blight seems to have "struck" in this valley first, in its course along the Pacific Coast. It had done much damage here before it was even recognized in the Sacramento and Santa Clara valleys. And when it did reach these great pear sections, it expressed itself in a milder form. Then began the war of extermination by the Department of Agriculture, in charge of Prof. M. B. Waite. In spite of this contest, which has been very largely confined to the Sacramento valley, the blight is doing its deadly work in the very places where the "war" has been most persistently carried on.

Little has been attempted, in the extermination line, in this valley; and now nothing can be done. The few remaining trees are all but dead.

The situation in the Sacramento valley has just been reported by Prof. Wickson of the Agricultural College of the State University, through the columns of the Rural Press. In recounting the incidents of the late State Fruit Growers' convention at Marysville, at which time several trolley-car parties visited the country about that town, Prof. Wickson says: "One of the saddest horticultural things seen through the country was the destruction by the pear blight. M. B. Waite, who has been making one of his frequent and welcome visits to California, takes rather a hopeful view of the situation as a whole, though the convention district was depressed in this line. In an interview since the convention Mr. Waite is credited with saying that the upper valley from Sacramento north cannot boast of having had good results from the pear blight war, as most of the orchards have been hit hard, and many of them are utterly destroyed. The orchards in the large pear districts down the river from Sacramento have held up remarkably well, probably 85 per cent of the bearing wood and trees being in condition for producing good crops of fruit next year. This he believes is part due to good fighting and part to natural conditions which worked the same way. In the foothill districts of Placer county the reduction in the amount of pear blight in most of the orchards is quite gratifying. In a few localities there is an exception to this rule, and there has been a very little increase in the blight during the past year. In the districts around the bay and the Santa Clara valley, the conditions are quite favorable, having changed from good to very good. It is encouraging to think there will still be pears, and from what we hear of nursery sales, there must be plenty of planters with confidence in the situation."

Growing pears has always been a very profitable industry in the Sacramento valley. It seems indeed to be the "home" of the pear.

It is extremely important, therefore, to the farmers of that valley, to maintain the industry. The exuberance of the trees there renders them almost restraint to the pear blight. Hundreds of acres in pear orchards may be seen in that valley, which, heretofore, have yielded splendid returns to their owners.

We never had anything like such acreage in the San Joaquin valley; and, but little was ever expected of the orchards we did have. We can raise other fruits so far ahead of pears in profits that, at best, our farmers are not justified in losing any time or money over pears.

Raisins at five cents, peaches at ten, and olives and figs of almost equal value, enable our fruit growers to pay for the few pears they can consume, and then raise them in the same fashion that Mark Twain "raised" his strawberries—with a spoon.

Spraying Operations.

It is gratifying to know that so many of our orchardists have finally come to understand the importance of spraying peach orchards with the Bordeaux mixture. The spraying season on peach trees is about over in this county.

The thoroughness with which this spraying has been done, in most instances, is a pretty sure indication that the shothole fungus, or "peach blight," will do little damage to next year's crop. Spraying may yet accomplish good results, although the best effects are vouchsafed where the spraying has been done before December 16th.

Many tons of bluestone have been sold by local dealers to both orchardists and vineyardists, and we may pretty safely assume, I think, that we shall be quite immune from the blight next season.

Scores of vineyardists are now using the Bordeaux mixture on their vine stumps for the purpose (perhaps) of destroying mildew spores, and surely for the purpose of invigorating languishing vines, which have been over cropped. It has been used by a few growers about Fresno for several years; and from what I have been able to gather on the subject, it has always been a very profitable practice.

A Bunch of Kelsey Japan Plums.

The Overcoat Problem.

The season of overcoats is at hand, and probably in no other department santorial is there exhibited so much indifference to hygienic considerations. The greatest fallacy of all, perhaps, in regard to the choice of an overcoat is that the terms "weight" and "warmth" are synonymous. As a matter of fact, they are nearly always dramatically opposed.

Heavy materials are often good conductors of heat and are calculated therefore to allow the heat of the body to escape, while light materials are bad conductors and so preserve the heat and energies of the body. Moreover, the heavy overcoat is a tax on the resources of the organism and destroys the economy which a good insultating cloth is intended to secure. Further, heavy material encourages an uncleanly and unhealthy state of the body chiefly by imprisoning the exhalation of the skin.

That cloth is best, therefore, which gives the minimum of weight and the maximum of warmth while being porous enough to admit of ventilation.

It is not generally realized that in protecting the body from the dissipation of its own heat—i. e., from-coldclothing, really serves as an economizer of fuel—that is, food. Could we accustom ourselves to wearing no clothing at all under cold climatic conditions we should have to consume much more food than we do in order to compensate for the rapid loss of heat which would happen if the body were not wrapped in non-conducting materials. This point needs to be borne in mind by those who advocate the banishment of the overcoat.

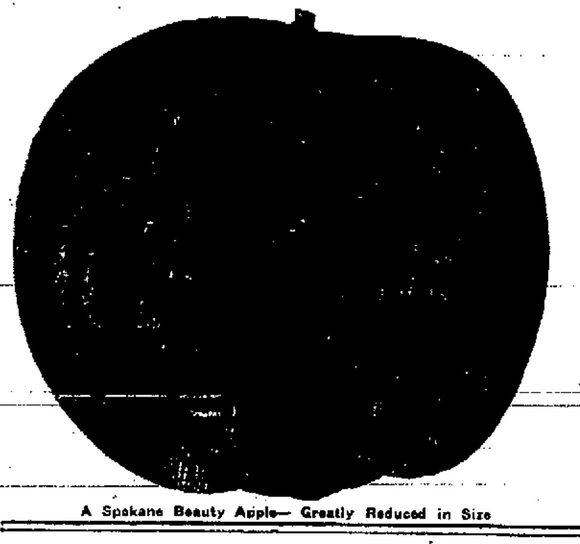
It is, of course, possible, to dispense with the overcoat, provided that the clothes worn be particularly warm. The overcoat, however, offers the decided advantage that it can be superimposed over a comparatively light suit of clothes and provides also an air space between the ordinary clothes and itself—an air space which is open to ventilation.

There seems to be little doubt that a well chosen overcoat surrounding a warm, but light suit of clothes, is for the reasons just given much more comfortable than a heavy suit of ordinary clothes.

There is another important point about the qualities of an overcoat, and that is in regard to the color of the material. The choice of a sombre hue—black, dark gray, dark brown or dark blue—is totally opposed to scientific indications. The Polar bear is not provided with black fur; if he were he would not be able to defy the cold with that impunity which he does.

Light colored materil, as a matter of fact, does not so easily give up its heat as does dark material, and this would appear to teach that our notions as to the suitability of color of garments for winter wear are illogical. Fashion and custom bind us hard and are seldom on all fours with reasonable ideas.

If he would follow the dictates of science and common sense the purchaser of winter clothing would choose, if he were able to do so, garments of a light rather than a dark due. And why should every one be clothed in a funeral type of material just when winter sets in, when every effort is necessary to compensate for the dreariness and darkness of its days?—The Lancet.



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THE OTHER SIDE by Virginia Mitchell Wheat.

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From somewhere near about a clock struck the hours in long even tones, and further down Broadway silvery chimes rang out from a lofty spire in happy medley with the clanging street cars that rushed to and fro laden with festive crowds of gayly dressed folk.

It was the week before Christmas and the Great White Way was in holiday attire. Bathed in a light whose intensity rivalled the noonday sun, the rich gleam of the snowy streets, the soft sparkle of tiny flakes that catch, ing the iridescent lights from the brilliant show windows, floated like gleaming jewels in the air, the bright laughing faces and daintily gowned women, the well groomed air of the fashionably dressed men, all lent to the glamour of the scene, and beneath its enchantment and the witchery of the gladsome season rich and poor, high and low, jogged and jostled along in the endless tide of brotherhood.

Out of the murky shadows that marked the disappearance of the deserted side streets the tall, shabby figure of a girl emerged, hesitated for an instant as the first shaft of white light fell upon her, then stepped back quickly into the shadows again. Furtively she glanced behind her. The street seemed deserted but for a couple who, in that blessed state of felicity where the whole world counts as naught, were coming up the other side, apparently engrossed with each other. Nevertheless the girl slipped into the blacker shadow of a doorway until they had passed on and rounded the corner into Broadway. Then after peering again into the baffling darkness and listening intently for a moment she ventured forth once more and falteringly, stealthily advanced toward the searching light of the great thoroughfare.

Her eyes glanced constantly from right to left from beneath the thick, dingy veil, that, drawn over a tousled Tam o'Shanter hat and under her chin, was fastened at the back in pitiful imitation of the fashionable manner that veils were being worn. Its gray-green color effectually hid the features beneath and cast discordant contrast to the faded blue dress and tan coat of ancient cut that failed, with all its unlovelinesss, to hide the grace and poise of a figure that a duchess might have envied. Tattered red mittens covered her hands and high laced skating boots—doubtless the cast-off finery of some wealthy pet of fashion—enveloped a foot that, in spite of its shabbiness, seemed small and well turned.

With head averted sharply from the light that streamed from the shop window on the corner, the girl hurried past and swung into the endless procession, and incongruous as her figure seemed it melted directly into the moving throng, the countless numbers which afforded a seclusion denied by the quieter street she had left.

Once fairly adrift on the tide a degree of security returned to her, and she, too, began to feel the festive spirit in the air. The sound of jest and laughter fell pithily on her ready ear. The beauty and life about brought the same eager light to her eye as to those who swung their well filled purses in close proximity to her empty pockets. Yet withal this, apparently growing oblivious of danger, not for an instant did her vigilance forsake her.

More than once when she had halted with others to gaze on the magnificence displayed in the shop windows a head here and there would turn sharply at a more than usually insistent jostle, and invariably the suspecious eye would rest on her and scan her searchingly and the little space about her would widen almost imperceptibly. Instinctively she would feel the gaze upon her, bear it unflinchingly for a bit, and then, apparently still unseeming, would move on to another group before some other attraction, where often the experience would be repeated.

Once only did she enter a store. Midway in a block her quick eye descried ahead and above the moving crowd the gleaming helmet of one of New York's "finest." A few steps brought her to a shop that she knew to have a second entrance on the side street. Stepping quickly inside she passed swiftly through with neither a look to the right nor the left, around to the side entrance and out into the shadowy street, which she crossed before returning to Broadway.

This manoeuvre left the "finest" still leisurely swinging his club and reviewing with discriminating eyes the crowd before him safely in the rear, and she resumed her erratic journey with a sigh of relief.

Again she stopped in front of a florist's; an automobile was drawn up to the curb and a figure inside attracted her attention. It was a man—a handsome man in evening dress and he was buying roses, American Beauties, with a reckless disregard for expense. She watched him as he selected each flower with exquisite care, and she waited while the florist laid them with tender elaborateness in the long box prepared for them. Then the man paid the bill and came out.

His quick, nervous eye detected the girl and, with the perception of a connoisseur, he noted the straight, lithe figure and the well turned foot in the shabby boot. Her mean attire seemed to add to his satisfaction, and for an instant he hesitated while the girl, her heart beating tumultuously, regretted sharply the boldness with which she had thus risked detection.

Passing on to the waiting automobile he placed the box of flowers on a seat and returned to where the girl stood, still seemingly absorbed in the beauties within.

Pausing just behind her shoulder he tried to distinguish the features beneath the baffling veil, but the angle of her head was unfortunate. Glancing again at the small, shapely foot, the well squared shoulders and the finely poised head, the indecision was gone.

"You seem very fond of flowers," said his smooth, suave tones behind her.

She started quickly, then nodded.

"Let me get you some," he said softly. "Tell me, what do you like best?"

She did not answer.

"You need not hesitate," the man continued. "I am very fond of flowers myself, and I like to give them to others who love them."

The girl remained mute, but the man smiled understandingly. "Come in," he urged, "and pick out all you want."

The girl shook her head protestingly and glanced significantly at her dress. The man laughed softly.

"You are all alike," he said; then in a lower tone, "What do clothes count for anyway? I would wager than beneath that troublesome veil are charms that would set at naught all the glamour that clothes could lend. Will you let me see?"

He moved closer and touched her lightly on the arm.

She shook her head and moved away, but not abruptly. Quick to perceive it the man persisted.

"This is the season of fairies and sprites. Come with me, Cinderella, and I'll take you into Fairyland. With a dainty silk gown in place of this, a pretty crown instead of that Tam o' Shanter and a slipper to grace that little foot you will be a princess indeed. Will you come?" The girl turned slowly away.

"Wait for your flowers," urged the man.

Signalling his chauffeur to follow, the man took his place beside her.

"Why are you so mysterious?" he murmured, caressingly. "Is it to add to my enchantment? Are you some fairy in disguise that fears some dreadful spell will fall upon us both if you break that magic silence? What spell could be more fatal to me than the one you are weaving now?"

"Will you not lift your veil and look at me for a single instant?—or stay—I will tell you! Come with me and I will take you to a fairy godmother. She will transform you into the beautiful princess you were intended to be, and then you will let me see you!"

Putting his hand on her arm he attempted to guide her into a secluded side street, but she turned back quickly. "No, no, no!" she murmured under her breath. "I cannot. Some one might see!"

"Who?" he asked sharply. "Are you married?"

The girl shook her head emphatically.

"Oh, ho!" he laughed, understandingly. "Not like to be? Perhaps my pretty Cinderella has known another prince! Well, no matter! This prince will not ask troublesome questions, but if you cannot come with me now, Cinderella, will you come later?"

She hesitated an instant, then nodded.

"When? How soon?" he asked softly. "In half an hour? An hour?"

She nodded again.

Taking an orchid from his buttonhole and a blank card from his case he wrote a number on it and handed it to her.

"Call at this place," he said. "Give this flower to the person you find waiting and step quickly into the little room that opens off the hall. No one will see you there, and I will not keep you waiting. There can be no mistake."

Reaching out her hand she took the card and the orchid. The tip of a shapely finger peeped out as she did so, quick to discern, this added to his fastidious satisfaction.

Stepping to his automobile he waited till she passed on, then backing it from the curb he sped away.

The girl paused an instant and gazed after him scornfully.

"I wonder what my gay prince would have said if he had recognized his Cinderella's voice?" she thought.

The crowd was growing slimmer now and she began to feel a sense of prominence again, and the old furtive manner returned.

As she reached a street in the old time quarter of the city, where a few old residents still owned and occupied their homes, she turned sharply into the shadows, and, keeping close to the iron railing, stole swiftly along.

Before one large, pretentious house she stopped. Bright lights were burning in the basement and sounds of song and laughter floated out to her. Stealing into the area she leaned against the iron grating and peeped beneath a shade that was not closely drawn. The servants were entertaining; evidently all of the house servants were there. She raised herself softly and looked up. The house with the exception of the basement and the upper hall, where a dim light burned, appeared to be darkened.

Softly she got to her feet, crept out of the area and started up the board stone steps. Half way up she turned and sprang the whole way down again, turning sharply to the right. The door at the top of the steps had opened, voices sounded and a lady and gentleman were descending.

"I don't know what to make of Helene," said the lady's voice complainingly. "This is one of the greatest functions of the season, and yet she refused positively to go. The Count will be there. I know he is serious in his attentions to her, and only needs an opportunity to declare himself. Half the girls are wild about him. Wealthy and handsome and titled, and yet she snubs him every way that she can! I'm afraid her staying home tonight is a great mistake."

"She can't expect to play fast and loose with him forever. I told her so today, and she just made a moue and said her head ached and she was going to bed early."

"Well, I think, dear, you're a bit severe on the child," said the gentleman. "If she doesn't love him she ought not to be expected to marry him; money or titles or anything else doesn't count. The Count seems to be a good fellow, but the trouble is she's such a child she doesn't know her own mind yet. I'm afraid her head did ache. I said goodby at her door before I came down, and as she didn't answer I opened the door, but she had gone to bed; the room was quite dark and I did not disturb her."

The sharp click of horses' feet sounded on the pavement and a carriage drew swiftly up to the curb.

The girl had moved beyond the railings of the house, and was limping slowly along. The gentleman looked sharply at her, hesitated a moment, then putting the lady into the carriage walked quickly back.

"What are you lingering here for?" he asked sharply. "Are you waiting for any one?" No? Do you need anything? Well, get away about your business, then; we don't want any loitering in this neighborhood."

The girl quickened her step and limped away. The gentleman watched her for an instant, then joining the lady in the carriage the door closed sharply and they drove away.

As the sound of the carriage diminished the girl turned and hurried with no vestige of a limp back to the house and up the same stone steps again. Ah, if the servant had not already put up the chain!

She turned the knob softly and the door opened noiselessly. Pushing it gradually wider she saw that the coast was clear and stepped inside.

As she hesitated for an instant, all poised for flight, the half open door still in her hand, a burst of laughter from below reassured her.

Closing the door behind her she went swiftly up the stairs, her shabby shoes sinking into the deep rich carpets, her ragged mittens resting on the highly polished balustrade. Heeding neither the luxuriousness of the one nor the beauty of the other, giving no thought to the magnificence of statuary and paintings that surrounded her, she went steadily on to the hall above, past several closed doors, till she reached a half open one near the end of the hall.

Here she halted and listened for a moment, then pushing it wider she listened again. Stepping inside she closed it silently behind her and turned the key.

Guiding herself along the wall in the darkness her hand touched a button, and the room was suddenly flooded in soft radiance. She stood transfixed for an instant, then softly crossing the room she touched another button, and in this new flood of light she stood before a long pier glass and gazed silently at the figure reflected therein.

All about her as she stood dainty laces, cut glass and exquisite silver lay in pretty confusion—the elegant necessities of a dainty boudoir—but the eyes gazing through the gray-green veil dwelt not for an instant on the lovely trifles. They gazed as if fascinated at the indovely apparition before them for a few moments, then turned away with a cynical smile.

"So this is his conception of a fairy princess! This his Cinderella! He is not so hard to suit, nor half so fastidious as I thought him."

A key was stealthily fitted into the lock of a wardrobe near by, and unhesitatingly turning it she opened the door and rummaged a bit among the lovely gowns within. Picking out a soft, flimsy negligee, she took it down and threw it across the arms of a near by chair and turned to the mirror again.

In an instant the hat and veil were on the floor and the coat and dress lay beside them. A slight sound outside the door attracted her attention, and she extinguished the light beside her quickly and stooping gathered the paraphernalia from the floor into a hasty bundle and crowded the unshapely into a corner of the wardrobe, which she closed.

Then she listened again. Presently a short sniff, sniff came from beneath the door. It was the dog. How fortunate she had not met him in the hall below! Motionless she stood on the far side of the room, till, after repeating his mode of investigation several times, the dog with a little whine of disappointment, went away.

As she stood there a florist's box on the floor just inside the door, where it had probably been hurriedly placed by the maid, had caught her eye and now she examined it. It was from the same florist at whose window she had stood an hour ago, and the handwriting in the address—she slipped her hand into the pocket of the shabby skirt in the wardrobe and took out the card her so-called "Prince" had given her. Yes, the writing was the same. One had been written with proper care and the other in evident haste, but—she laid the card on top of the box—there was no doubt the same hand had written both.

Turning out the light near the door she went back to the mirror and smiled knowingly at the reflection. Then going to the lavatory she revelled to the full in the completeness of its accessories, came back bright and glowing, arranged the soft hair that had been drawn into a hard knot on the back of her head into a pretty modish style, slipped on the dainty gown she had selected from the wardrobe; gazed, smilingly and comatocutly, at the charming reflection that smiled back at her, unlocked the door, rang the bell and, seating herself before the open fire, with her back directly to the door and a book in her hand, she waited for the maid to answer her summons.

Helene did not get up to breakfast the next morning, and when her doting father ran up to inquire about the headache before he went down town she managed to put on quite an air of invalidism; but a few moments after his departure when the door bell rang and Helene's mother put her head in she looked quite bright and chirpy again.

"How's the head, darling?" asked her mother. "Carol is here and wants to come up. Do you feel you can see her?"

"Oh, yes, mother, by all means send her up."

"Oh, here you are, Carol!" as a bright face peeped over her mother's shoulder. "Come along in, my head's all right now, I'm just a bit lazy."

And Carol, coming in, shut the door behind Helene's mother and stood with her back against it, a funny little frown shadowing her pretty face.

"Oh, Helene, I am so disappointed," she said. "I had such a pretty romance all built around you, and here you've knocked it all to flinders."

"I felt just dreadful last night when your father told me you were not coming to the dance, and I wondered what the Count would think about it, but when he didn't come either it just occurred to me that you had both stayed away with a purpose. I know how perfectly crazy he is about you, and I know, Helene, that even if you do treat him badly sometimes you don't mean it all, and it just came to me like a flash that he had won you over last night; and now here you are with nothing but a plain everyday headache to account for the whole thing!

"I just couldn't get here quick enough this morning to console your mother. Oh, you are just too provoking! Did the Count know you were not going, and is that why he stayed away?"

"No, he didn't know I wasn't going, and I didn't know he wasn't going until it was too late for me to change my mind and go, but I just would have loved a dance with Alan Lyndale. Was he there?"

"Oh, Carol, I must tell you the whole thing. You remember at the last meeting of the 'Fraternity' a penalty was put upon most of our infringements on the rules of the club? Well, just because some of the girls think I grow a bit too exclusive and haughty they decided to humble my pride by commanding me to dress myself in mean, shabby clothes and walk for at least ten blocks on Broadway during the busiest hours before the eyes of all out. Of course, I dreaded the ordeal horribly. That and father's everlasting poking the Count down my unwilling throat had become regular bugbears to me lately, so I concluded that as one was a necessary evil, I would at least sacrifice the other for it.

"At the last moment I gave up the cotillon, thus escaping my ardent suitor for once, and took the opportunity to scourge myself as penance for the 'Frat,' and what do you suppose I incidentally found out? That the adoring Count, who, I supposed, was going to the cotillon just because I was to be there, was, as a fact, not going because of an appointment made at the very last moment with another lady, and at his own earnest solicitation!

"I chance to know that the lady in question did not keep the appointment, but the fact that he expected her to kept him from going at all."

Sitting up in bed Helene laughed at Carol's puzzled face.

"Come closer, Carol, do," she said. "I'll have to whisper every word of this, for mother would put me straight into a sanitarium if she ever suspected it."

And so with their heads together, could sharp little exclamations of surprise and horror and soft little ripples of amazed laughter, the story was told.

"What did you do with the roses?" asked Carol at the conclusion, looking about in vain for a glimpse of them.

"Why, I called Mammy up last night," said Helene, "swore her to secrecy without giving her any particulars, made her put them out of sight and had the coldest of her head rags as I had worn in to keep her from getting cold I told her. Then I wrote her up in the address on the card with the orchid, the box of flowers and a note."

"I told her to just send up the orchid and then wait in the little room off the hall till she was sent for, then to give the box and the note to the gentleman who would be waiting."

"The note was just a line to say that the lady to whom he had given the orchid and the box of flowers wished to return them both—the first because he had been mistaken in her and the second because she had been mistaken in him. I didn't sign it.

"Mammy says he went on something awful when she lifted up her veil; but when she gave him the flowers and the note he quieted down pretty quickly, and he asked her to explain; but Mammy just lifted her chin at him, the way she does when she gets beyond her depth, and walked out. So he's left to guess the conundrum himself, but I reckon he'll guess it right. Perhaps now he'll stop trying to cut poor Alan Lyndale out!"

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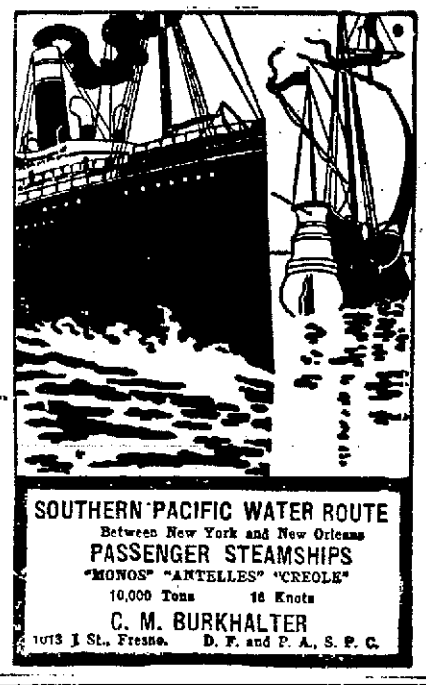
"Henry," said Helene's mother a few days later, "what do you suppose I heard today? That the Count has been called home unexpectedly and has already sailed without a farewell to any one. I wonder if Helene refused him, and, if not, if she cares any more for him than she pretends to."

"Not she," expostulated her father, indignantly. "Not she! I really do think, Adele, you have been trying to make a woman out of our little girl entirely too soon." "Why, my dear, she's nothing but a child—a most unsophisticated child!"

WHEN SHE GAVE HIM THE FLOWERS.

"COME WITH ME, CINDERELLA?"



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INDEPENDENT PRODUCERS DECLARE FOR 75 CENT OIL DURING 1908

FIRM STAND TAKEN AT MEETING IN COALINGA—GREAT ACTIVITY SHOWN IN OIL FIELDS—BIG FREIGHT SERVICE DONE BY TEAMS.

COALINGA, Dec. 21.—The Coalinga Oil Field is fast taking first place as an oil district. The history of the oil industry first attracted attention, as it came into notice in the year 1865, with the kerosene lamps of an improved pattern. In 1867 the Standard Oil company of Ohio, was formed, Rockefeller, Andrews & Flagler, with a capitalization of $1,000,00, at that time the firm controlled 10 per cent of the refined oil business of the United States. In ten years from that date they controlled nearly 95 per cent of the oil industry, and they controlled an equal per cent of the pipe line business. During these prosperous years of the company, they were laying plans that matured in 1882 when they concentrated their various holdings under the "Standard Oil Trust," which included fourteen companies and a majority interest in twenty-six additional concerns, with a capitalization of $79,000,000. In 1898 the Standard withdrew from this trust, on account of a legal attack upon the "trust," and was then made the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, with a capitalization of $100,000,000 common stock. The influence of this great corporation upon the consumption of crude oil was very great; by the refining process were brought out the by-products, which have added to the value of crude oil; this has stimulated the United States Government to create a branch of the geological survey to make practical tests as to the commercial value of all by-products possible from crude oil, which influence we are now feeling in this field. The practical use of crude oil so thoroughly demonstrated by the Standard greatly stimulated the industry in all parts of the globe, until now the "coal oil" lamp is burned in every country of the world. The world's production of crude oil reached 211,411,173 barrels in 1906, of which the United States produced 126,493,936 barrels. At this point it is worthy of note that the people, through the Government, have called a halt on some of the methods of this giant oil trust, in bringing to light certain methods adopted by its agents. Its great power was intoxicating. It has drawn the fire of envy; it has become unwieldly from the greatness of its possibilities; it was only a matter of time when it would naturally come to a halt.

This year, 1908, just opening up to us, with the lessons of the past, holds out to the oil men of this state the possibility of conducting the industry upon broader planes. It is the greatest industry, with its many by-products, in the history of time; it has revolutionized industries that depend upon steam and light, as did the little iron Monitor at Hampton Roads revolutionize the navies of the world. This field now holds the attention of oil men throughout the United States; some of them are even now among us. Its possibilities have penetrated the avenues of finance in London, England, and the centers of Holland, whose agents are here with their extensive investments. The year 1908 will be a new mark in our history, with the Coalinga oil fields ranking first among all the oil fields of the world.

The Board of Directors of the Independent Oil Producers' association met at 2 p. m., Thursday, at the company's office in Webb's building. There were twenty-eight companies represented at the meeting, all of whom have signed up their production to the Association. Their action was deliberate, the situation was thoroughly discussed regarding the State's production, the demand of the consumers is well known, as a thorough canvas of the situation has been had. It was the sentiment of the meeting that the Agency stand out on their demand for 75 cents for 1908 oil, even if it means a shut-down on every well of the companies represented, as soon as their present contracts expire. The executive committee was instructed to take steps looking to the Agency marketing the oil that is under their control. This may mean building of pipe lines and requiring storage tanks at convenient points on the railroad, to secure contracts from consumers and provide for the delivery of the oil. All seemed to be in harmony with the independent movement and enthusiastic over the possibilities. President Stanley Morsehead said that the Independent Producers were in a position to take the stand and carry through the proposition. H. H. Welsh, M. V. McQuigg and L. P. St. Clair were of the same opinion. The meeting was the most important of the year and marks out a course of action that if followed up with vigor will mean success. The executive committee called a meeting at 1:30 p. m. Friday, at the office of the company, when steps were taken looking to the marketing of the oil of the agency.

On September 27th, a poll was taken of the freight teams hauling freight from town into the field, and 194 animals were reported, outside of the lease teams, that were engaged in hauling freight through the field. Friday, another poll was taken of the field and it was found that 320 animals are now hauling freight to the East Side, the North End, the West Side and to the Southern Coalinga fields. This does not include the large number of animals used as lease teams. Each animal averages, hill and plain, 1250 pounds to the haul, which shows a daily average of over 200 tons, which includes Sundays and other holidays. A. C. Harwood, contractor, hauls 32 tons daily with his outfit. This shows the rapid growth of this field which will soon mean another railroad into this territory. The only wonder is, why do they wait? Fresno county will, in 1908, lead the whole world as an oil producing district.

Marshal Moffett reports the capture, at Armona, of James Clark, who had sought refuge in a box car, in his efforts to jump his bail bond. William Johnson, of this place, in an honest endeavor to help one who had fallen, put up the bail, which Clark was as ready should be forfeited. Report has it that Clark is wanted for robbery. He is now reflecting upon the "angles in the road" at Hotel de Chittenden, Fresno.

Among the arrivals Thursday were noticed J. D. Thompson of Pasadena, R. C. P. Smith, J. J. Wallace, and M. V. McQuigg of Los Angeles, L. P. St. Clair, W. H. Webb and J. Benson Wrenn of Bakersfield, all interested in the properties on the West Side field.

Stanley Morsehead, president of the Independent Oil Producers' association, H. H. Welsh and Tom O'Donnell came in Thursday to attend the meeting of the Independent Oil Producers.

J. H. Mallett of San Francisco, president of the Home Oil Company, and A. D. King, one of the directors, came in to look over their oil interests here.

J. E. Merritt of Los Angeles, general field superintendent of the Associated Oil company, came in last Thursday, he will look over the pumping station that is now being built upon Section 36-20-14.

Road Master Rose has made a preliminary survey of the bridges that are needed on the new county road that is to be built out across sections 16, 10, and 2-20-15, sections 35 to 2-19-15. There are several of these. There will have to be some concession from the railroad people or a very long bridge will be needed to cross the gulch that follows the section line at sections 15 and 16-20-15. Work will be begun on this much needed road very soon.

The California Oil Fields, Ltd. have built two 35,000 barrel steel tanks on section 26-19-15, from which point the oil would gravitate to the station of the Standard Oil company, on section 36-19-15. In a tank of this size there are 180,000 pounds of steel, 54,000 pounds of timbers and lumber. The steel plates weigh about 350 pounds each. The average cost of such tanks today is about $12,000.00.

The Express Oil company, on section 24-21-15, have erected derrick for well No. 1 on the northeast quarter. They have commenced work on two derricks on the south half of same section. It is reported that eastern capital will control this property.

The Associated Oil company, on section 36-20-14, report that well No. 5 the rotary drilled well, is showing up fine. No gauge has been taken of the amount of oil as yet. There is no sign of water. The new method of cementing off water is a success.

The St. Paul-Fresno Oil company, on section 23-20-14, have shut off the water in well No. 5.

The Inca Oil company, on section 24-20-14, have shut off water in well No. 11 with 10-inch casing. Well No. 12 is down 500 feet with 10-inch caging.

The Coalinga Western, on section 23-20-14, have finished well No. 7. They are rigging up on well No. 8.

The Claremont Oil company, on section 4-20-15, report well No. 1 2800 feet with 8 1-4 California Special casing. On section 24-20-14, they report well No. 1 820 feet with 10-inch casing.

The Home Oil company, on section 14-20-14, have re-perforated well No. 2 with the Hardison perforator. The well has increased 50 barrels. W. A. Gray, superintendent, reports a fine production.

The California Oilfields, Limited, have re-perforated well No. 33, on section 27-19-15, having had J. B. Porter run the Hardison perforator with good results, increasing the production. The sands here are very prolific, but occasionally run, which causes the well to heave up into the casing until the old perforations become clogged.

When Congress Meets.

From the New York World.

When Congress meets, the nation folds
Its hands in peacefulness and holds
No further trouble in its breast,
But sinks away to blissful rest.
Assured that now its safety lies
In perfect hands, to keep the prize
Secure from all who seek to rend
Our liberties from end to end,
And bring disaster, dark and dead,
Upon the leaders and the led,
The enemy is at our gates;
Inside and out he wily waits
The opportunity to seize
Occasion for his devilries—
And yet how quickly he retreats
Into his hole when Congress meets!

When Congress meets, the people feel
That once again the common weal
Is braced up good and strong, to stand
The foulest blow of evil hand;
And every cause of truth and right
Is bound to win outin the fight.
They know that statesmen are on deck
To save the Ship of State from wreck;
They know that all the troubles which
No longer need to be afraid;
Will lifetho burden of their cross;
Have lately struck the poor and rich
Will be removed, and gain for loss
Will life the burden of their cross;
They know that peace and plenty flow
When statesmen plant the fields—and so
The Nation folds its hands and seats
Itself at rest when Congress meets.

For a long time it has been known that the red rays of the spectrum exercise a favorable influence on scarlatina, measles, and small pox. Cannot diseases of the skin and ulcerations of different origin also be cured or improved by similar radiations? This is what M. Capelli has proposed to study.

The subjects experimented upon were exposed to red light obtained by the passage of white light reflected through a diaphragm with two glass walls and containing a solution of cosine. The duration of the seance varied according to the case, between one and two hours.

Of all the forms of skin diseases it is the superficial forms which are benefited more particularly by the red light treatment, and notably impetigo, which is considerably improved in a few seances.

In acute eczemas the application of red light gave very interesting results; the redness of the skin diminished, the ulterior eruptions of vesicles ceased at the same time as the old vesicles dried up.

From the Paris Edition of the New York Herald.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 21.—William Garland, a son of former United States Attorney Garland, committed suicide in a hotel today. Garland was an author of a number of books.

YEAR IN PRISON FOR STEALING OWN CALF

Sam Cain of Tulare Has Been In Jail Six Months.

Will Now Have to Serve Full Year In Penitentiary for Taking Own Property.

VISALIA, Dec. 21.—Word was received today that the appellate court has approved the judgment of the lower court sentencing Sam Cain of Tulare to one year in the penitentiary for the theft of his own calf. The case was tried last June and attracted not a little attention. Cain placed his calf in a field of a neighbor, but neglected to pay the pasture bill. Later the field changed hands and the new owner was instructed by the former proprietor to keep the calf until the arrearages were paid. The calf was missed and found later in possession of a relative of Cain's. The owner of the field took the calf again into his possession and Cain caused his arrest for larceny. At the hearing the case was dismissed and a similar one placed against Cain. A jury convicted him after being out but a short while. Cain has been in jail since June, declining to be taken to the penitentiary. He will get no credit for his six months' incarceration.

This afternoon Charles English, a well known local resident, who has been ill with pneumonia for several days, is reported in a critical condition and fears are entertained for his recovery.

Two of the cars to be used on the Visalia electric railroad passed through this afternoon en route from Bakersfield to Exeter. The cars are elegantly equipped with smoking and general compartments, and handsomely finished. They are said to be finer than anything in the valley and the equal of anything in the state. The cars will be run between the latter place and Lemoore, when the line has been constructed to the latter point.

Miss Monetha Woodard, one of the teachers in the Tipton Lindsay school, who has been ill for several days, is improved this afternoon.

An action was commenced today by C. W. Preston of Exeter against the Lindcove Realty Company to collect the sum of $1845.61, of which $1040.98 is for lumber and materials alleged to have been purchased by defendant and $504.63 an assigned claim from S. Sweet Company for merchandise alleged to have been supplied. C. G. Lamberson and Frank Lamberson are attorneys for plaintiff.

An action was commenced today by J. M. Parker, against the Santa Fe railroad company to collect the value of 2200 trees, nursery stock, shipped to plaintiff last spring from Willis Point, Texas. The assignment should have arrived in March, but through the alleged carelessness of the company it was May before it arrived and the trees were dried up and dead. The trees were valued at $660, which sum is asked for. C. G. Lamberson and Frank Lamberson are attorneys for plaintiff.

A game between the Visalia and Fresno grammar school football teams is announced to be played in Visalia on Christmas day. The local team recently defeated Tulare and is considered as strong as any valley team in its class.

A petition for letters in the estate of B. G. Labachotte, deceased, was filed today. Labachotte was killed by Fred Capell near Hot Spring recently and the latter exonerated. The estate consists of 480 acres of hill land worth $1440, 300 head of cattle and horses, hogs, etc, the total estate being valued at about $6500.

Charles B. Porter and Miss Myrtle Walton, well known Visalia young people, obtained a license this afternoon to wed. Mr. Porter is a member of a local business firm and the bride-to-be until recently was in charge of the long distance switchboard at the local telephone exchange.

HUNTER DOYLE LEFT FOUR SMALL CHILDREN

Wife Was Waiting for Him to Come Home for Supper.

Put Loaded Gun In Wagon and It Is Accidentally Discharged, Killing Him.

LOS BANOS, Dec. 21.—George Doyle, the market hunter, who was accidentally killed here yesterday while putting his gun in a wagon, left a widow and four little children. When the news of his death was carried to his wife by Dan Kennedy his family was waiting for him to come home for supper. Mrs. Doyle was almost prostrated by the shock.

The accident happened at 2:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon about eight miles east of this city, where Doyle and N. Nor and William Burnett were hunting. Burns had just made a shot and Nor was picking up the game. Doyle put his loaded gun in the law wagon, with the muzzle toward him. In some manner the gun was discharged and the shot passed through the tail board of the wagon and struck Doyle in the right groin, severing the thermoid artery. He died before reaching this city.

Doyle and his family came here a few months ago from Santa Clara for the hunting season.

Indian Wins at Wrestling.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 21.—War Eagle, the Carlisle Indian, last night defeated Dan McDonald, the Canadian wrestling champion, in two straight falls. After the match, Rooney of Chicago challenged War Eagle.

Small Bank Closes.

BOTTINEAU, N. D., Dec. 21.—The Dunseith state bank closed its doors yesterday for want of cash. Deputy Bank Examiner Peyton, who went over the books, accompanied by two bankers from this place, stated that in time the depositors will be paid in full. The trouble resulted from loaning money too freely.

WEST PARK CHURCH WILL HOLD REVIVAL

Rev. Langstaff of San Jose Will Assist.

Rev. Irving Bristol Talks to an Appreciative Audience at West Park.

WEST PARK, Dec. 21.—A. F. Holcomb and family have moved to the new home they have just built on their ranch near Clovis. During their fifteen years' residence in West Park they have been useful members of the church and community and will be greatly missed.

J. A. Devlin has recently purchased an automobile.

E. R. Winters is here from Los Angeles.

J. W. Grayless and family have settled on the ranch they bought from Mr. Davis on Valentine avenue. Mr. Davis is living in the Russell Eaton house.

Cleero Jackson with his estimable family have removed to Fresno. They resided in West Park a long time and their hearty Southern cordiality won them many friends.

Mrs. E. N. Soranno, who has been laid up over a month from being run over by a wagon, is slowly recovering. She recently received a week's visit from her granddaughter, Marie Louise Marchese and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Marchese, who have returned from Los Gatos and taken up their residence in Fresno.

The Kanderian brothers and their wives are happy over the arrival Sunday night in their home on Blythe avenue, of a small son to one family and a daughter to the other.

Ernest Webb and wife are rejoicing in their third son who has recently taken up his abode at their house. Ernest Webb was appointed school director by County Superintendent E. W. Lindsay in place of F. G. Story, who had resigned.

The Sunday School is preparing to have a Christmas tree and entertainment Christmas eve, at the school house.

Rev. Irving Bristol, secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of the state, delivered recently an address at the West Park church that was highly appreciated by the people. And they responded liberally.

Rev. B. E. H. Warren preached Saturday and twice Sunday interesting sermons to good congregations. Rev. Warren comes from Kingsburg to preach here and at Conejo every month, on the third Sunday.

Rev. J. B. Langstaff and wife of San Jose, are expected soon to assist in a revival in West Park. They have just been holding a series of successful services at Kingsburg and Conejo respectively.

The Thursday Club had a pleasant afternoon this week at Mrs. Jacque's, on White's bridge road.

The W. C. T. U. held a profitable meeting Thursday at the church with a good attendance.

The Sunday School meets every Sunday at 10 a. m., and is doing well under the superintendence of W. S. Drew, with a good corps of teachers.

S. Larkin was hurt recently by a horse falling on him. He is compelled to use crutches for awhile.

KINGS RIVER LANDS ARE CHANGING HANDS

Deals In Real Estate Continue to Keep Market There Lively.

KINGS RIVER, Dec. 21.—Real estate continues to change hands in this vicinity. J. A. Sedbetter of Sanger has recently purchased the J. J. Wash place. Mr. Wash sold out last May to W. Raypoltz of Oklahoma, who in turn sold to A. V. Gloucher. Mr. Sedbetter is building new fences and making other improvements.

Mr. Iverson has purchased a quarter section of land belonging to Jens. Mathieson located just north of Mt. Campbell on the Millwood road.

Mr. Iverson has also bought out John Douglass' interest in the Oliver saloon property.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fornell have purchased a 40-acre tract on the Fresno road five miles west of Kings river.

Mr. and Mrs. Barsmitz and three children arrived recently from Oklahoma to make their home with Mrs. Barsmitz's father, F. E. Raypoltz. Their little daughter, Lizzie, aged 6 years, was stricken with typhoid fever soon after their arrival and died after a short illness.

F. E. Raypoltz has rented his ranch to Mr. Wycough of Sanger and expects to move over on the coast.

W. Raypoltz has returned with his family to Oakland.

G. W. McKenzie has moved with his family to Oklahoma.

Charlie Douglass, who has been in the employ of the Soutern Pacific at Bakersfield, is at home with his parents for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson and children have just returned from a six weeks' visit with relatives at Grand Island, Nebraska.

T. Yost of Fresno is spending several weeks here visiting old neighbors and friends.

Mrs. T. E. Hare and her infant daughter, Virginia, returned home on Sunday from a two months' stay in Fresno.

Miss Connie Hanan has gone East to spend the winter with relatives in Iowa and Missouri.

Advantage is being taken of the slack in handling oranges and lemons, to improve the flume running north from Centerville. The graders are doing good work and the prospect is of a fine road when finished.

On Saturday evening a stag dinner was served by Claud Brisco at the Centerville Club room.

Rev. M. R. Galliher of Reedley, organized a Sunday School at the Kings River school house on Sunday afternoon. The following named persons were elected as officers: J. A. Sedbetter, superintendent; Mrs. T. E. Hare, assistant superintendent; Margaret Macy, secretary, and Louis Mathieson, treasurer. Mr. Galliher expects to hold preaching service at the school house once a month.

Adolph Johnsen of Sanger is holding a series of evening meetings at the school house. The meetings have been well attended.

SANGER HIGH SCHOOL CLASS PRODUCES PLAY

"A Scrap of Paper" Presented By '09 Members.

Teachers in the Various Schools Leave for Homes During Christmas Week.

SANGER, Dec. 21.—The class of 1909 of the Sanger Union High School gave a very successful production of J. Palgram Simpson's comedy, "A Scrap of Paper," last Friday night at the Sanger opera house. It is a clever little three act drama, popular among amateurs, having been presented once by the faculty dramatic club of Stanford University, and was well staged under the direction of Miss Spencer, teacher of English in the high school. The proceeds are to be reserved by the class for expenses during their senior year. The cast of characters included only members from the class, and was as follows: Prosper Couramont, Frank Carlisle; Baron de la Glaciere, Walter Minville; Brisemouche fun ardent naturalist) Elmer Cotton; A. Natale, Lee Roy Carlisle; Batiste, Lee Cobb; Louise, Baroness de la Glaciere, Jennie Abdallian; Mlle. Suzanne de Russeville, Clara Blackman; Mathilde, Vera Matthews; Mlle. Zenahie, Mayme Agee; Madame Dupont, Marguerite Savage; Pauline, Lena Manley.

The Sanger schools closed last Friday for the Christmas holidays, and the teachers have gone to their homes in the various parts of the state to spent the vacation week. Miss Edith Spencer has gone to Los Angeles, Miss D. M. Haynes to Pasadena, Miss Annie Barrett to Palo Alto, Miss Golden to Fowler and Miss Hegermann to Fresno.

Several new cottages are going up in and about Sanger, which will be the homes of Messrs. Frank Foreman, Joe Foreman, J. L. Benedum, Tribble and Bender.

Dr. J. M. Pressley left Friday morning for Santa Rosa, having been summoned by telegram to the bedside of his mother, who is critically ill.

Mrs. Thomas F. Madden has gone to attend a family reunion to be held in Christmas week at the home of her mother in Burr Valley.

Miss Belle Agee is home from Sacramento for a vacation of two weeks.

Walton Cobb and his sister, Miss Alma Cobb, are home from Berkeley to spend the Christmas holidays.

Allan Barr came up from Bakersfield where he has been for the past few months, to spend Christmas at his home here.

Mrs. F. L. Hedrick left yesterday for a visit of six weeks with relatives in Los Angeles.

Truman Parcher will leave early in the week for a visit of several days at his home in Hollywood.

BABY GIVEN CARBOLIC ACID FOR THE CROUP

Two-Year-Old Son of Frank Akers Badly Burned.

Elder Child Wanted to Help Mother By Giving Medical Attention to Brother.

LATON, Dec. 21.—The two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Akers was nearly fatally burned with carbolic acid, which was given him by an elder child, who wanted to give him medicine. As it was, the boy's mouth was badly burned. The elder child saw the mother giving the baby medicine for the croup and tried to help matters with the acid bottle.

I. Wiener died at his home on the West Side, Wednesday. He was 69 years old and the father of fourteen children, having been married twice. He was buried Thursday in Oak Grove cemetery.

The Laton school will open January 6, after a two weeks' vacation.

The Laton grammar school will open December 30, after a week's vacation.

Miss Schray left Friday for San Jose for a week's visit among her friends and parents.

Miss Edna Newbert, one of the high school teachers, left Friday for Marysville, where she will spend her vacation.

Miss Mabel Clark one of the high school teachers left Friday for Niles, where she will visit her parents and friends during vacation.

The Laton Union church will give a Christmas entertainment Christmas eve.

The Christian endeavor held a joint meeting at Camden, Sunday night. The endeavors of Laton, Laguna, Riverdale and Camden were all represented.

Mr. McAllister arrived Wednesday from Santa Cruz, where he has been running a merry-go-round.

Newton Mickens went to Fresno, Thursday to see his wife who is in the sanitarium.

J. I. Hancock left Wednesday for his ranch.

J. W. McFarland and his son left Friday for Kerman, where they will work for several weeks.

Telephones Dying Message.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—"This is Dresser; I am dying," was the message B. D. Dresser, a solicitor today telephoned his employer E. F. Pinkham of the firm of Pinkham and McKevitt. Pinkham hurried to Dresser's room at 849 West Ninth street, where he found the latter breathing his last. He succumbed to a sudden attack of heart disease.

No Evidence to Hold For Murder.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Frederick Duhrson, charged with the murder of John Peterson in a riot on the street cars on Labor Day, was dismissed at the close of the preliminary examination in Judge Weller's court this morning owing to lack of evidence.

GOLD TAKING PLACE OF SCRIP IN SELMA

Holiday Trade Far In Excess of Any Former Year.

Selma Basket Ball Team Is Waiting for Fresno to Arrange Game.

SELMA, Dec. 21.—A marked increase in the percentage of gold coin in circulation here, and a corresponding decrease in scrip, together with an unusual activity in Christmas buying, causes little feeling of financial depression in Selma. The local merchants are all rushed with business and the large volume of Christmas trade in advance of the usual rush season predicts business far in excess of any former year. The tendency of some of the local buyers to go away from here to shop has very materially changed into a general sentiment to trade at home, showing due appreciation of the fact that in every line its merchants have increased their stocks to compete with those usually found in larger places.

Christmas exercises are to be held by all of the churches in Selma, most of them observing Tuesday evening with a tree and program by the Sunday School children. At the M. E. Church (South) a Christmas cantata will be given by the children and the presents will be distributed from a ship, instead of a tree. In addition to the tree at the Christian Church, Santa Claus will have headquarters in a log cabin. The M. E. Church, the Presbyterian, the United Brethren, and Baptist and the Episcopalian Churches will each have trees on Tuesday evening. In addition there will be Christmas sermons at the M. E. Church, Presbyterian and M. E. (South) on Sunday morning and at the Episcopalian in the evening. At each of these services special music will be rendered.

The Selma basketball team is greatly disappointed that the game with Fresno on Friday night was not played owing to Fresno's inability to secure a hall and make the necessary preliminary arrangements. As the league schedule has been arranged for such dates as will not make the team play but once in two weeks with the exception of this game which was allowed on account of the holiday rest, it is very necessary that the games be played according to schedule. When the Selma officials phoned to Fresno late on Thursday evening and were told that Fresno were not expecting to play, they offered to play with them either in Fresno or Selma at any time up to next Monday evening. As no word has been received up to this time Selma is wondering whether Fresno is expecting to play on Monday evening or has decided to forfeit the game.

Miss Lucy E. Osborn left this morning to spend the holidays at her home in Watsonville.

James Armstrong, who is attending college at Berkeley, came home yesterday for his Christmas vacation.

Sam Edsall is spending the holidays at home. He has been employed in the Santa Fe car shops at San Bernardino.

Dr. N. K. Foster, state health officer, is here looking after property interests.

Selma Lodge I. O. O. F. attended the dedication of the Odd Fellows hall in Fowler Friday evening.

Mrs. W. H. Davis, who underwent an operation on her eyes in Fresno recently, is improving and is expected home soon.

Miss Josephine Geisehart is spending the vacation in Berkeley.

Mrs. Mattie Anderson of Berkeley, with her son, Will Anderson, and her daughter, Margaret Anderson, is visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. T. H. Elliott. Joseph Corwin, Mrs. Elliott's father, is also spending Christmas with them.

Mrs. E. W. Mann arrived this afternoon and is a guest at the H. H. Borchus home. She was accompanied by Miss Mary Blackburn, who went to her bedside eight months ago and attended her through a serious illness.

SCHOOL CHILDREN IN CLOSING EXERCISES

Pupils of Various Grades of Houghton School at Rolinda Entertain Visitors.

ROLINDA, Dec. 21.—The Houghton school closed with an entertainment by the children of the various grades. The following is the program:

Slumber song, by the school.

Pantomine, by the boys of the grammar grade.

Mother goose dialogue, primary department.

Scarf drill, by eighteen girls.

Soldier boys, primary department.

Dialogue, "The Way to Windham," by Phillip Gordon and Keno Esty.

Walter song, by girls of the primary grade.

Drill, by boys of the intermediate department.

Dialogue, by the grammar grade; "The Assessor."

Song, "Cotton Blossoms," by boys of grammar grade.

Tableau, J. P. Sims.

Rock of Ages, tableau by Fern Montgomery.

Dialogue, "An interrupted conversation," Lydia Pretzer and Carl Richardson.

Song, "Proud Flag of Our Country."

The Misses Kious and Haney left yesterday for Gilroy and Hollister to spend the holidays.

Mrs. H. Ford, who has been quite sick, is slowly convalescing.

J. P. Gregory made a business trip to San Francisco this week.

John Whiteside has been helping his brother in the Barstow district this week.

Miss Annie Broderson has returned from Oakland.

Homer Condon is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. George Arnold of Fresno are here visiting relatives.

John Harris and Clarence Finney visited Gordon Brothers, Friday night, while on their way to the West Side on a business trip.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—Warren L. Jodon, a custom inspector, was drowned today while boarding a vessel in the harbor from a barge which was moored alongside.

ITINERANT MERCHANT IS FINED IN TULARE

Fails to Take Out License Required By City Ordinance.

Tulare Club Leases Apartments for Five Years In the Rothewell Block.

TULARE, Dec. 21.—Jacob Abierson, who has been announcing that he would "sacrifice" a stock of merchandise that he brought into Tulare from some unknown point, was arrested here for failing to take out a proper license to conduct a mercantile business. He put up a fifty dollar cash bond to appear before Recorder Davis and had a hearing at 2 o'clock, at which time he was fined twenty-five dollars and costs. Abierson's attorney gave notice of appeal. The defendant was tried and fined on a city ordinance that compels itinerant merchants to pay a license of fifteen dollars a day. This ordinance imposes on merchants of the stamp of Abierson to rent a building for not less than sixty days and pay not less than thirty days' rent in advance. Another firm that just came to town complied with the ordinance by taking a sixty day lease on the building. Tulare people have been imposed on so frequently by these travelling hawkers of cheap goods, that it was for their protection as well as for the protection of the merchants that this ordinance was enacted. Pending his appeal Mr. Abierson will be arrested every day he attempts to do business, unless he complies with the ordinance.

A number of Tulare ladies gave a select dance at Library hall last night, and it proved to be one of the most delightful affairs of the kind ever had in Tulare. A splendid orchestra directed by J. W. Tillon of Fresno, furnished the music. The ladies who were responsible for this enjoyable evening were, Florence Zumwalt, Misses Dora and Maud Rossow, Minnie Young and Grace Castle. There were a number of out of town guests.

The recently organized Tulare club has taken a five year lease on apartments in the Rothermel block and will at once proceed to fit them up in elegant manner for the future home of the club. The location is central and easy of access. Every indication is for a successful launching of this organization, which promises so much for the betterment of Tulare.

A splendid program of Christmas music has been arranged for the Congregational church service on Sunday evening. The anthems will be sung by a quartette composed of Mrs. Soule, soprano; Mrs. Carmichael, alto; Mr. Soule, tenor; and Mr. Tompkins, base. Mrs. Soule will sing "Joyously Peal, Ye Christmas Bells," by Coombs. Mr. Soule will sing "Noel" by Shelley. Additional solos will be sung by Florence Zumwalt, who will sing, "Noel," by Shetezki and by Earl Haydock, who will sing Marzo, "Bending O'er a Cradle Low." Rev. W. N. Burr, the new minister, will occupy the pulpit for the first time.

The Tulare Advance, which recently changed from an evening to a morning paper, announced today that hereafter it would be published semi-weekly. W. S. Bock, the editor, leaves today for San Francisco, where he will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Dr. and Mrs. Purlinky left today for San Francisco on business and pleasure. Three patients from here will accompany him and undergo operations under his direction. After the operations Dr. Purlenky will enjoy the Christmas festivities with relatives in Oakland and Berkeley.

Some of the latent foot ball talent around Tulare have decided to limber up and tackle the high school eleven on New Years day. The latter team is anxious to get even with someone to soothe their wounded pride and promise to make the "has beens" look silly on New Years day. It will be a most interesting contest.

LECTURE ON INDIANS ATTRACTS ATTENTION

Dr. Spining Finds Warm Welcome In Clovis—News of Clovis People.

CLOVIS, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Moore of Enterprise Colony left Friday, to spend Christmas at Reno, with her daughter, Mrs. Palsgrove.

The little daughter of Mr. Arbuckle, who lives northeast of town, is quite ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. J. G. Ferguson left Wednesday for Palo Alto, to remain during the holidays, with her daughter, Mrs. Bahney.

The funeral of Mrs. R. C. Young occurred at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, from the Baptist church.

J. Hensley and wife of Madera, were in town on business Thursday.

C. B. Crane, who has been in the employ of R. E. L. Good the past month, left for Porterville on Thursday.

C. F. Ellis of Letcher, was in town on business Tuesday.

J. Soth, an eastern man, was here with Charles Teague looking for land on Wednesday.

O. F. Campbell of Le Grande visited Clovis to look into the matter of building cottages of manufactured stone.

C. M. Gregory of Santa Barbara, has been a business caller this week.

Dr. Geo. L. Spining and C. E. Kelsey of San Jose, were in town Thursday. Dr. Spining addressed the Members of the Indian Association in the evening at the Baptist church. His address was eloquent and interesting, and full of information concerning the Indians in general, taken from his personal observations in visiting them.

To Investigate Mine Explosion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senator Scott today introduced a joint resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of three senators and three representatives to investigate the recent explosions in coal mines.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Packages of bullion weighing fine tons and representing 500,000 pounds were despatched this morning to Liverpool for shipment to New York on the Campania, which sails today.

NEW PLAY OF AMERICAN LIFE TONIGHT; "MARRYING MARY" AND "ZIRA" COMING

MARIE CAHILL WILL BE SEEN IN SUCCESSFUL COMEDY AND FLORENCE ROBERTS IN PLAY BY HENRY MILLER NEW YEAR'S DAY.

No matter how good a play an author may write, the play in itself is no assurance of success. The task is only half completed with the manuscript. The stage manager on whom so much of its success or failure rests must be a man of keen perceptions, original ideas and quick to grasp and take advantage of the author's every thought. The scenic artist, too, is a very important factor; he must understand every detail of light and shade; his work must be in every way correct, artistic and elaborate. The company must be selected with great care for their individual fitness to portray the parts assigned. The management of "For Mother's Sake," which comes to the Barton tonight, claims all these things and if the press reports and box office receipts where this great production has appeared this season are to be taken as a criterion, then the management have not erred in their statements. "For Mother's Sake" is a thrilling story of American life, perhaps the best ever written. A play strong in native sentiment, healthy in plot and action and one of the best dramatic offerings that will visit our city this season. Seats are on sale all day prices 25, 50 and 75 cents.

"Peck's Bad Boy"

"Peck's Bad Boy," that notably popular farce comedy, which has for twenty years reigned supreme in its special field far beyond the envious reach of imitation comes to the Barton next Wednesday (Christmas) night, to again prove that in the drama, as in many other things, he that keeps in closest touch with nature is most likely to shake hands with success. When ex-Governor George W. Peck of Wisconsin wrote the sketches upon which the play indicated is founded by his exclusive permission, he humorously struck a universal funny human keynote to which humanity responded with roars of laughter and applause. Following his lead with equal regard to the requirements of true art, the dramatist also produced a stage masterpiece and gave the added strength of vitality and individualism to description. The Bad Boy thus doubly introduced and advertised, has proved one of the best cards in the theatrical pack and in all the uncertain shufflings of the business has always turned up as the "joker" in every sense of the word. This season the play has been largely rewritten and rearranged, to admit of the introduction of new comic complications, scenes and surroundings, and special features of a higher order in which even a bigger and better company than ever before will be seen. The seat sale opens tomorrow at holiday prices, 25, 50 and 75 cents.

Marie Cahill

Miss Marie Cahill, who will be seen at the Barton next Saturday evening, December 28, in "Marrying Marry," is a Brooklyn girl and affords in her career an example of opportunity long waited for and taken advantage of when it did come.

Miss Cahill went on the stage as a little girl in a Brooklyn theater and played a small soubrette part in some sort of an Irish melodrama. She was therefore never in the chorus of any production, because immediately afterward she commenced to obtain the positions in New York shows which have a splendid professional reputation, as a dancing and singing soubrette. A year or two before Augustin Daly died he took Miss Cahill into that splendid singing organization, which produced "The Runaway Girl." In this she created the role of a Venetian dancer and astonished the New York theatrical world with her unsuspected ability. Miss Cahil then confessed that from the time she was ten years old she had never missed her daily lesson in fancy dancing, and took advantage of an interview afforded her to recommend in her quaint way the study of the art of dancing to all young ladies on or off the stage.

It was immediately after this that Miss Cahill commenced to be looked upon as a Broadway fixture. She appeared in such productions as "The Wild Rose," "Sally in Our Alley" and "The Silver Slipper." New York liked her and she found it to her advantage to remain in New York. It was for this reason that she never went on the road, but as soon as a company had filled its New York engagement, she would transfer to some other part that was sure to be open to her. Miss Cahill has stated that her real reason for doing this was to avoid getting away from the singing and dancing teachers in whom she had the greatest trust.

Through all these seasons the young woman was working hard at her chosen profession, studying and reading and hoping for the opportunity which would bring her under the strong calcium which means a furore. This finally came to her through the song "Nancy Brown," which she sang in "Wild Rose." So strong was the vogue of this quaint comedy ditty that it caused Mrs. John Jacob Astor to carry the entire company to Newport for the entertainment of her friends. Right on top of "Nancy Brown" Miss Cahill brought out the song "Under the Bamboo Tree," in "Sally in Our Ally." Again a sensation and this time it surrounded the young woman as much as it did the song. Stuart Robson saw her one night and told his manager, Daniel V. Arthur, that Marie Cahill, properly managed, had the making of the greatest comedienne the American stage had ever seen. Mr. Arthur sought an introduction to Miss Cahill immediately, with the result that he starred her the next season in "Nancy Brown."

The result of "Nancy Brown" was the popularity of a number of songs, including "The Congo Love Song," but the unexpected result was the fulfillment, or rather the starting out of the fulfillment of Stuart Robson's prophecy. Marie Cahill was pronounced by the critics a comedienne of the greatest originality and ability. Here is the only case on record of a star going into a Broadway theater with her first play and staying there an entire season. She has just completed a successful run at Daly's theater, New York, with her new play "Marrying Mary," where it made a great hit. The seat sale for Miss Cahill's engagement opens next Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

Florence Roberts

Florence Roberts' present play "Zira," en tour under the direction of Henry H. Harris and John Cort, is by the distinguished romantic actor, Henry Miller, who in association with J. Hartley Manners, wrote the celebrated four act drama and who is credited with the excellent selection of the Roberts company in the production of her greatest play. The local appearance of the "American Bernhardt" at the Barton New Year's matinee and night will be attended by the full cast and all the scenic and costume details of the original New York production.

DELAY IN OPERATION OF THE SEPTIC TANK

To Start It at This Time Would Be to Accept Work on Uncompleted Contract.

Although the city is ready to connect the new city sewer system with the septic tank and start the latter in operation at the sewer farm this week, there is a possibility of delay. If there is delay, it cannot at the furthest last longer than the 1st of January, when the lessees will take charge and everything must be in readiness for the operation of the tank.

It was hoped to have the latter in service and the bacteria started on a period of long continued activity by tomorrow or at the latest on the day after. Contractor McElroy has yet to lay 9000 feet of twenty-four-inch sewer pipe and the box sewer connecting the outfall sewer with the tank has not yet been overhauled to ascertain whether it is acording to the specifications.

This suggested to Surveyor Hoxie the question, "If we use the septic tank for the disposition of the sewage of the city of Fresno, does the city thereby accept the same from Contractor McElroy?" The problem was passed up to City Attorney Ewing, who ruled in effect that by the use of the septic tank for the disposition of the sewage of this city an acceptance thereof will be made, unless you have an agreement with the contractor to the effect that his money shall not be earned under the contract until the septic tank, the pipe lines and the box sewer leading thereto are completed, in which said agreement there should be specified the things now uncompleted.

It is the securing of this agreement that may delay the operation of the tank and the connection with the sewer until all work has been completed.

Presidential Appointments.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Roosevelt sent the following appointments to the Senate today: To be consuls, Maxwell Blake of Missouri, at Dunferline, Scotland George B. Killmaster of Michigan, at New Castle, N. S. W.; John H. McCunn of Wisconsin, at Glasgow, Scotland; Maxwell K. Moorshead of Pennsylvania, at Acapulco, Mexico.

To be registers of land offices: John N. Watson, at Lakeview, Ore.; Frank B. Bramwell, at La Grange, Ore.

To be receiver of public moneys: Frank Davey, at Burns, Or.; Fred T. Cronemiller, at Lakeview Ore.; Albert A. Roberts, at La Grange, Ore.

To be surveyor general of New Mexico, John W. March.

ONE MAN SENTENCED: THE OTHER PAROLED

The Assaults Charged Against Them Were Committed While Under Liquor.

William Atwater pleaded guilty yesterday to an assault with a knife made on the 10th ult. on James Dalton at a convivial meeting at the Atwater home on Ventura street, claiming to have caught Dalton embracing his wife on return from a journey to replenish the beer supply. Atwater then rushed to town, shouting that he had killed a man and proclaiming that he would commit suicide. In the prisoner's behalf, Deputy District Attorney Hawson made the third plea in one week, asking for leniency in sentence for a crime committed while under the influence of liquor and detailing circumstances warranting the acceptance of a plea of guilty of assault. Atwater informed Judge Church that he had promised his mother one month ago that he never intended again to taste liquor and upon the further plea of his attorney, E. S. Van Meter, Atwater was liberated on parole and promise that he never drink intoxicants or neglect his family.

Two Years at San Quentin.

James Ryan pleaded guilty to the charge of an assault with a deadly weapon, and Judge Church sentenced him to imprisonment at San Quentin for two years. He assaulted Thomas R. Dowling with a pocket knife on the 26th ult., jabbing him in the right hand which has since become paralyzed. Ryan is a riveter who came from Oklahoma, had employment for a time at Point Richmond and drifted hither, where he was on a spree for a fortnight at the time of arrest. The original charge was assault to commit murder, but it was doubtful whether it would have been proven. Ryan and others were drinking on the night in question and proposed to Dowling that they rob their companion. Dowling objected, but having $5 Ryan attempted to relieve him of the money and cut him on the hand with which he was warding him off.

Divorce Granted.

Joseph lane was divorced from Marie A. Blanc on the ground of desertion committed in March, 1905. They were married in France in May 1873, but she left her home after one year's residence in America and returned to France to a married daughter. She defaulted in the case.

Quiet Title Action.

Dudley Lehree and others have sued C. L. Thompson and others to quiet title to the west half of the northwest quarter, the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter and the southwest quarter of section 19-12-12.

THESE LADIES WILL TRY TO COLLECT $1000

Mesdames E. W. Risley, Minnie E. Sherman and George E. Church have accepted the invitation of Mayor Lyon to take up the task of soliciting money for the state fund to be devoted for the purchase of a golden table service for the cruiser California. Mrs. H. H. Welsh, the fourth lady invited by the mayor, declined the task. The plan of the three ladies named will be to send out sets of more circulars to people in the county who they think are likely to contribute in sums saying from 50 cents and upwards. They will have a postoffice box to which contributions in answer to the circular may be addressed. The ladies have set out to collect not less than $1000 as Fresno's share of the fund.

"SENATORIAL COURTESY."

Prevents Presidents From Making Selections for Appointments.

No one familiar with the manner in which national patronage is parceled out among senators and representatives will suffer any shock to his nervous system on hearing that President Roosevelt insisted that two wheatfield senators "draw cuts" to determine which of them was to have certain appointments.

The operation of what has been known for more than a generation as "senatorial courtesy" has practically removed from the president's actual selection all appointments below those of ambassadors and consuls general. As to the postmasters and smaller offices, they belong, absolutely, to the representatives; and the civil service law is twisted constantly for the benefit of members in both houses who belong to the party in power.

Whether or not President Roosevelt actually tipped a coin to see which of these senators was to name certain appointees is not of the slightest consequence. I sincerely hope it is literally true! And for reasons that will be stated.

Those men were sure to get the offices or to prevent anybody else from securing them. Didn't they, each and severally, threaten our pugnacious chief magistrate, before his face, to fight any appointee to the offices in dispute made without their consent? Although these Roman fathers didn't speak to each other, senatorial masonry united them against a threatened infraction of abominable usage! They would vote together to defeat any choice that they didn't dictate. Think of that. And yet, sadder to relate, their entire brotherhood in the senate chamber, without distinction of party, would uphold them.

Surely a president of the United States has his trials!

From my viewpoint—the result of more than twenty-five years' study of national politics at Washington—the so-called "senatorial courtesy" has been treated with the proper contempt that every president of the United States should feel and show toward it. Such arrogation of authority never was comprehended by the framers of the constitution.

Alexander cut the Gordian knot; Columbus convinced a scoffing assemblage by standing an egg on end. These were trivial acts in themselves, but their effects are seen to this day.

Now that we have fallen into history, let us not forget that Solomon settled a dispute between two women who claimed parentage of the same child by threatening to cut the baby in twain. A "wise man" wasn't needed to see that the real mother would surrender her claim while the pretended one would exhibit indifference. Solomon's reputation for judicial ability doesn't rest upon that baby case. He had made his reputation; just as Roosevelt has achieved his.

Anything that will enable the great masses of the American people to comprehend the arrogant attitude that men elected by them solely as lawmakers assume toward the appointing power designated in the constitution is a valuable step in the direction of reform.

It is merest infantile flippancy for a journalistic critic of the president to insinuate that he (Roosevelt) probably tossed a coin to decide whether the American battle ship fleet should go to the Pacific or remain in the Atlantic. That was a matter wholly within his authority, as commander-in-chief of the army and navy. The same thing ought to be true of all important appointments for which the administration has to be responsible—not the dictating senator who "demands as his right" most of such places.

Seriously, I'd like to see traffic in public appointments shown up, much as were the secrets of the Chicago stockyards. Why shouldn't the president appear one afternoon of each week in the marble room, at the east end of the capitol, and auction off his appointments?

That would surely bring ridicule upon senatorial dictation!—Julius Chambers, in the Brooklyn Eagle.

The Fruits of Victory.

The members of the house of representatives this year will draw $7,500 as their pay, with $1,500 for a clerk whether they hire one at any price or none at all. Most of them will not, making their compensation $9,000. Then they have $125 for "stationery" and the privilege of franking anything through the mails from a grand piano up or down. In addition to this a stately and costly office building has been built for them at immense expense, with 400 rooms and "all the modern conveniences." There are other "considered trifles" to be added to this, such as their mileage. But what of it? Considering that the members of congress seem to be able to vote themselves anything they like, a congressman can say: "When I think of what I might have done, by Heaven, I am astonished at my own moderation." Incidentally it would be interesting, as a matter of curious information, to know how much of the deficit in the postoffice department is due to the possession of the franking privilege by the members of congress.—New York Press.

Phonograph to Scare Burglars.

Once more the phonograph has been called upon for greater service in a household, and this time it takes the place of a night policeman.

Richard Reilly, who lives near here, has all doors and windows of his house especially wired and connecting with the talking machine. When the family retires at night he throws the switch and from that hour the opening of any window or door will start the following from the phonograph in a gruff voice: "Get out of here, or I'll fill you full of lead." Reilly has invited burglars to visit him to give his invention a practical test.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Vengeance by Prayer.

This bit of local color is from the Japan Times: "At Shinokubo, a small village in Soshu, consisting of only seventy houses, several cases of robbery have lately occurred. A diligent search instituted by them for the offenders proved an utter failure. The community consequently held a mass meeting and unanimously agreed upon cursing the robber to death. A virtuous priest of the locality was accordingly applied to for the purpose.

"He, however, declined the curse the robber to death, an act too cruel for a holy man like him to resort to, but promised that he would paralyze the robber by his powerful prayers, so as to disable him and lead him to repentance. Thus the priest commenced his incantations. But, behold, the robber continued his robbie operations to the indignation of the entire community.

"The priest has been condemned as a worthless fellow, and the villagers have taken upon themselves the task of repairing every day to the village temple by twos and three to offer horrible prayers by which the robber is doomed to an early and fearful death."

The New Currency.

From the Nashville American.

The Greeks used cattle, not watered stock,
As a basis of circulation;
The Indians, shells, and sometimes a rock—
Iron went with the Spartan Nation,
Salt was the popular coin of the realm
In the land of Abyssinia,
While home-made twist was financial grist
In the colony of Virginia.
Hides and leather and nails were in vogue
In many a land benighted;
The Romans affected a copper crew—
Thank heaven, 'twas not "United!"
They used a dish of dried codfish
In the Newfoundland section,
But the counterfeit route put most of 'em out
For they couldn't maintain protection.
But a most laborious and rigid search
Into dim financial lore,
Shows that no other nation of folks on earth
Used stuff coupons before.

Use of Narcotic Drugs.

Drug habits are probably far less prevalent and injurious than they are painted. Persons who are addicted to cocaine, morphine, chloral, and the rest are secret in their indulgences. It is hard to measure the extent to which habits of the kind prevail. Evidence is clear that certain parasitic classes in the submerged districts of Northern cities contain large numbers of victims. Negroes of similar parasitic classes in the South are worse, so far as their opportunities permit. Weak wills and debilitated bodies take eagerly to narcotics and stimulants. Yet the balance of probabilities is on the side of a belief that the habitual consumption of these drugs is confined to a small fraction of any population.

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SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE CHURCHES

First Presbyterian.

At the First Presbyterian church the choir has arranged a special musical service of Christmas numbers for the evening. The regular choir music is to be augmented by some special numbers given by Edward H. Leonard of Oakland, cellist, and Cuyler B. Leonard, solo cornetist. The latter has spent the past year in San Francisco where he has been doing advanced special study.

At the morning service Mrs. W. W. Cross, a recent addition to musical circles, will sing a solo. The following is the program for the morning:

Postlude .... Mrs. D. C. Leonard
Simpler's Christmas Anthem .... Choir
"Adeste Fideles" ....
.... Choir and congregation
Soprano solo—"Star of Bethlehem" (Adams) .... Mrs. W. W. Cross
Carol—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" ...... Congregation and choir
Postlude .... Mrs. D. C. Leonard

The evening program will be as follows:

Cello solo—"Great Beyond" (Carrington) ...... Mr. Edward H. Leonard
Carol—"Sleep, Holy Babe" (Pickells) .... Choir
"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" (Mendelssohn) .... Choir
Contralto solo—"O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion" (Handel) .... Miss Bell T. Ritchie
"O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Sullivan) ...... Congregation and choir
Offertory—Cornet solo—"Coronation" (Aylward) .... Mr. Cuyler B. Leonard
"Sing, O Heavens" (Tours) .... Anthem by Choir
Postlude .... Mrs. D. C. Leonard

First Christian Church.

A Christmas song service will be given this evening at the First Christian church under the direction of Walter H. Olney. Miss Winnie Valer is organist and will be assisted by John Hutchinson and Mrs. Thorne, violinists. The following numbers compose the program:

Doxology.
Invocation.
Hymn—"Joy to the World."
Anthem—"Nazareth" (Gounod).
Scripture and prayer.
Offertory—Violin solo ... Mrs. Thorne
Vocal solo ...... Miss Ella Wakefield
Anthem—"All They of Saba" (Rheinberger).
Address .... Rev. J. R. Perkins
Soprano solo ...... Mrs. R. A. Powell
Vocal duet ....
Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. George Warlow.

First M. E. Church.

The Christmas music at the First M. E. church will be rendered today at both the morning and evening services. In the morning the following numbers will be sung:

"Anthem—"We Have Seen His Star"
(Sy Stupert) .... Choir
Duet—"I'm A Pilgrim" ....
......Mrs. Janes and Mrs. Connelly

In the evening the choir will render two anthems, "Calm is the Night," by Parks, and "Hark, Hark My Soul," by Shelley. Mrs. Louis Janes will sing "Bright in the East," by Hancom, and Mrs. Connelly will sing "Bethlehem," by Davis.

CONFESSES TO STEALING HIS ROOMMATE'S GRIPS

Charles Albert, a tailor, was arrested yesterday by Officer Kennedy on a charge of petit larceny. J. R. Clark, a Southern Pacific employe, reported to the police yesterday that night before last he and Albert occupied the same room at the Ogle house. The next morning Clark left two small grips containing clothing in the room while he went out for breakfast.

When he returned both the grips and Albert were missing. Albert confessed to the arresting officer that he had taken the grips and sold them and the contents at a second-hand store for $3 and spent the money.

CHAUFFEUR PAYS FINE FOR EXCEEDING LIMIT

Lige Broughton, a negro chauffeur, was arrested by Officer McCall yesterday for driving a large red car belonging to people from San Jose down J street at a speed that exceeded the limit by about twelve miles an hour.

He was taken before Judge Briggs and fined $25 as a warning to other reckless chauffeurs. Broughton said a man at a garage told him that eighteen miles an hour was the speed limit in Fresno streets, and notwithstanding the fact that he almost ran down two women at Mariposa and J streets he continued to cover the pavement as rapidly as he thought the law permitted until stopped by the officer.

FUNERAL TODAY OF JESSE I. SLATER

The funeral of Jesse Iden Slater, who died Wednesday at Fourth and Washington avenue, will be held from Stephens & Bean's undertaking establishment at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The deceased had lived in Fresno since 1883 and followed the trade of carpenter. He was born in Ohio April 20th, 1831, and came to this state in 1873. He settled first in Yolo county. Surviving him are the widow, Eliza Slater, two sons, M. L. Slater and E. R. Slater, and a daughter, Mrs. W. E. Tufts.

LITTLE GIRLS SAVED FROM ASPHYXIATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Three little girls, Esther Wolter, aged 14, Lizzie Wolter, aged 12, and Annie Wolter, aged 10, were saved from death this morning by the strenuous efforts of Dr. H. S. Warren, who was summoned to the Wolter home on Broadway. The children had been asphyxiated by gas, and but for the prompt arrival of the physician would have died.

About a week ago the father, Samuel Wolters, and his wife were terribly burned by an explosion of gas in their residence. Mrs. Wolter was so seriously injured that her life is despaired of and she is now in a hospital, where her death is hourly expected. Wolter is still confined to his residence as the result of his burns.

THIRTY FRIENDS GIVE SKIN TO HELP HEAL JERSEY MAN'S BURNS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Frank Waters will be able to eat his Christmas dinner at home because thirty of his friends gave bits of their skin to help him. Waters was burned by a premature explosion of fireworks July 4th, and has been in a hospital in Jersey City ever since. For nearly five months the burns refused to heal and the doctors finally decided that skin grafting was necessary. Waters was a member of the Holy Name society of St. Lucy's Roman Catholic church and the young men of the society were asked to come to Waters' assistance. Thirty were selected and from the arm of each was taken a bit of live skin which was applied to the wounds of Waters' body. It took five days to complete the operation, which proved successful.

FANNY DAVENPORT'S FIRST HUSBAND DIES ON DRAMATIC TOUR

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 21.—Edward Price of New York city, first husband of Fanny Davenport, the actress, died in Omaha last night of pneumonia. The body will be taken to New York for burial.

At the time of his death Price was manager of the Grand Mogul company, an Erlanger attraction. He was also interested in "Bluebeard" when the Iroquois theater horror happened. The Grand Mogul company will disband here tonight.

Price was a thirty-third degree Mason and the funeral will be under the auspices of the Masonic order.

Forty-Niner Dies in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Frank Alsiph, brick manufacturer and a well known forty-niner, died at his home in this city yesterday. Upon returning from California Mr. Alsiph located at Gregory, Iowa, but later came to Chicago. Two years ago, when he was 78 years old, Alsiph completed a brick making invention, which it is claimed doubled the capacity of his former machinery.

Woman Killed by Train.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 21.—Mrs. James Scofield was killed, Mrs. Louis A. French hurt, and a third woman seriously injured today when a Great Western train backed into a buggy, in which the women were riding. They were attempting to cross the track.

Boy Run Over by Train.

BERKELEY, Dec. 21.—While delivering papers shortly before noon today Harold Wagner, aged 12 years, was run over by a Key Route train and fatally injured. One of his legs was terribly mangled, and he now lies dying in a hospital.

Mitchell in Serious Condition.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—The condition of John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, remains about the same as yesterday, when he was taken sick. The physician attending him said today that he regards his condition as serious.

YOUNG PRISONER DECORATES CHAPEL

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—On Christmas morning the inmates of the county jail who assemble at the chapel will see the fulfillment of a labor of love by a former prisoner in beautiful mural decorations.

Adolph Hess, 19 years old, who was sent to the prison on November 14 for stealing a box of paint from his employer, is the artist. He was working yesterday putting the finishing touches on the Angel Gabriel, whose outstretched wings fill the space in the rear of the altar.

Hess was released on December 13th, but every day he puts in several hours on the decorations so they will be ready for Christmas morning.

Shortly after he began serving his sentence he asked and received permission to occupy his time in painting the chapel walls, and went to work on a figure of Jesus leading a flock of sheep. It pleased everybody who saw it. Then he sketched on the opposite wall a figure of Moses contemplating the Promised Land. Then he went to work on the Angel Gabriel flying over a village church. At odd times he painted in a cherub in a bank of clouds on the ceiling.

Hess was a student at the Art Institute.

NEW DIRECTOR FOR NEW YORK OPERA

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The coming of Gustav Mahler, until recently director of the Imperial Opera in Vienna, who will arrive in New York today on the steamer Kaiserin Auguste Victoria, has renewed the rumor that Heinrich Conried is to retire from the directorship of the Metropolitan opera house. In spite of the denials issued by the directors of the opera house, it is believed in musical circles that Mr. Conreid will retire at the end of the present season and that Mahler will succeed him.

Mahler is noted as the greatest living interpreter of Beethoven and Mozart and is one of the most famous of Wagnerian directors. He was engaged by Conreid personally and will probably direct the music of one or two operas during his present visit to New York. Next season it is believed, he will take entire charge of the artistic side of the Metropolitan's productions.

GIVES FINE FARM TO MISSION SCHOOL

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Announcement of a gift of 1000 acres of farming land to the Chicago Training School for City, Home and Foreign Missions, was made yesterday. Miss Cordelia P. Monnett, one of the old residents of Rensselaer, Ind., was the doner. The farm is situated in Jasper county, Indiana, in one of the best sections of the corn belt. The condition of the gift is that the doner be allowed to make her home at the Chicago institution and receive a cash annuity as long as she lives.

CONSULAR JUDGE IS SUED FOR A LIBEL

HONOLULU, Dec. 21.—F. M. Brooks, an attorney of Shanghai, has sued Judge L. R. Whifley of the United States court in China for $50,000 damages for an alleged libel. The suit has been brought in this city and Judge Whifley has retained A. G. M. Robertson as his attorney.

WOMEN FORM BRYAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

DENVER, Dec. 21.—Miss Clara L. Hunter, Annie St. Clair and Alois M. Morgan today filed articles of incorporation for the Woman's Bryan Democratic club of Colorado. Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of Wm. J. Bryan is named as one of the sixteen directors.

TWO WOMEN SHOT BY UNKNOWN ASSASSIN NEAR MARYSVILLE

MARYSVILLE, Mo., Dec. 21.—Mrs. William O. Beatright and her grown daughter were fatally shot while asleep by an unknown assassin on a farm near Marysville, Mo., last night. The women were sleeping together and the husband and father knew nothing of the outrage until his daughter staggered into his room and fell on his bed.

Forty Years for Assault.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21. — Judge Hughes of the Superior court today sentenced Albert Risser to forty years' imprisonment in the penitentiary at Folsom. Risser assaulted J. P. Rogers, a San Francisco insurance agent, beat him brutally and robbed him of $284.

To Transport Submarines.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The Echo de Paris announces today that the Maxims are constructing for the Japanese a type of ship for the transportation of small submarine vessels to the scene of battle. The submarine vessels will be stowed in a species of tunnels in the hold of the vessel whence they can emerge unperceived by means of locks.

Oakland Bank to Reopen.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 21.—The Union National bank will resume business Monday with over $300,000 cash on hand and with depositors representing nine-tenths of the $1,200,000 deposits promising not to withdraw the money for a sufficient period of time to place the bank on a solid basis. The bank some weeks ago took advantage of the holidays to suspend operations.

Skull Mended by Napoleon's Surgeon.

From the Indianapolis News.

Dr. William B. Fletcher was a student in craniology, and at his death he left an interesting collection of skulls, human and of the lower animals. These relics are kept in a case at the Fletcher sanatorium, in East Market street. Among them is one of peculiar interest, of which the doctor was quite proud, and about which he delighted to talk to his friends.

"This skull," as the doctor told the writer, "was worn as late as 1868 by an old German, who as a boy eighteen or twenty years old, was in the campaign of 1812 under the great Napoleon, in his disastrous invasion of Russia. This old German came to Indianapolis, and for some years took care of the horses of Dr. Theophilus Parvin and of mine.

"He was about seventy-two years old when he died. During the Russian campaign he had been cut down by a Russian saber stroke which fractured his skull, but the important thing in his story was that his skull was trephined by Larrey, Napoleon's great surgeon, himself, the broken pieces of bone removed, and that he should have come to Indianapolis so far away from his home and have lived to such an age.

This was, in substance, the story told by Dr. Fletcher of the surgeon who may be regarded among the founders of modern surgery, as a man who was remembered by the great Napoleon in his will, made at St. Helena: "I bequeath to my surgeon, Larrey, the most honest man I ever knew, 100,000 francs."

CALIFORNIA RACES

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—A large half holiday crowd turned out at Emeryville today and thirty-three books hung up their slates. The weather was clear. The track was heavy.

Jockey Dugan displayed high class saddle work in the Sacramento handicap when he won with Red Leaf, avoiding the early pace, and coming through when Ocean Shore and Perjucio tired and winning going away.

Prince Brutus made it four straight victories when he won the second race. He went to the front at the start and won with ease. Results:

First Race—Seven furlongs, purse: Cloudlight, 109 (Miller), 4 to 5, won; Fulletta, 112 (Lynch), 25 to 1, second; Triumphant, 106 (Scoville), 4 to 1, third. Time 1:28 4-5.

Second Race—Five and a half furlongs, selling: Prince Brutus, 103 (Davis), 4 to 5 won; Belle of Iroquis, 98 (Kelly), 11 to 2, second; Senator Warner, 93 (J. Butler), 11 to 5, third. Time 1:08 35.

Third Race—Seven furlongs, Corinthian handicap: St. Avon, 99 (Hayes), 2 to 1, won; Balrade, 95 (A. Walsh), 15 to 1, second; Hand-Me-Down, 55 (Gilbert) 20 to 1, third. Time 1:30 1-5.

Fourth Race—Mile and a sixteenth: Sacramento handicap: Red Leaf, 96 (E. Dugan), 18 to 5, won; Ocean Shore, 99 (Lynch), 18 to 5, second; Wing Ting 96 (J. Butler), 7 to 1, third. Time 1:49.

Fifth Race—Mile and twenty yards, selling: Lucian 106 (Heatherton), 13 to 5, won; Meada, 101 (Rice), 4 to 1, second; Lazell, 106 (Keogh), 8 to 1, third. Time 1:45 3-5.

Sixth Race—Six and a half furlongs, purse: Banposal, 104 (Hayes), 3 to 1, won; Tavora, 109 (Miller), 4 to 5, second; Purse Rore, 100 (Bilas), 50 to 1, third. Time 1:23.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—Three favorites won in the seven races that made up today's card at Santa Anita. The other events were won by Altar Boy at 10 to 1; Miss Fairbanks at 12 to 1, Clamor at 40 to 1, and Frank-Flittner, a second choice. Jockey Ross rode three winners. The field was unusually large.

First Race—Six furlongs: Altar Boy, 105 (Schilling), 10 to 1, won; Barbette, 107 (Boland), 10 to 1, second; May Sutton 105 (Harty), 8 to 1, third. Time 1:13 3-5.

Second Race—Five furlongs: Fairbanks 107 (C. Ross), 12 to 1, won; Grindstone, 107 (Harty), 4 to 1, second; Billowy, 107 (Boland), 20 to 1, third. Time 1:01 1-5. Margie D., Kerry, Old Settler, Astoria Bell, Saucy, Connie M. Velma, Raritan, Water Net and Lady Adelaide also ran.

Third Race—One mile: East End, 114 (C. Ross), 1 to 3, won; Rip Rap, 113 (Wiley) 40 to 1, second. Nellie Racine, 105 (Lycurgus), 7 to 2, third. Time 1:39 4-5. Line of Life also ran.

Fourth Race—Mile and an eighth, handicap: F. Flittner, 110 (Preston), 9 to 2, won; Lisaro, 108 (Party), 4 to 1, second; Edwin Gum, 104 (Lycurgus), 4 to 1, third. Time 1:52 1-5. Molesey, Arimo, Chimney Sweep, Eduardo, Colonel Jack, J. R. Laughrey also ran.

Fifth Race—Five furlongs: Crusados, 107 (Schilling), 4 to 5, won; Miss Modesty 104 (Murphy), 30 to 1, second; Lady Chiswell, 104 (Burns), 15 to 1, third. Time 1:01. Golden Boy, Chalfonte, Myrtle H., The Fog also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile and an eighth: Clamor, 87 (Buxton), 40 to 1, won; Baron Esher, 101 (Harty), 16 to 5, second; Guardi 101 (Schilling), 13 to 5, third. Time 1:53 1-5. Josie's Jewel, Kinsman, Mamie Algol, Henry O. also ran.

Seventh Race—Five furlongs: Old Dominick, 107 (C. Ross), 3 to 5, won; Andoche 107 (Burns), 7 to 1, second; Lisbia, 107 (Musgrave), 12 to 1, third. Time 1:01. Sentado, Burato, Ella True, Bazzini, Mira, Cripps Beckham, Dannocence, Jim Morrison, Bejovis, Venicido and Butterfly D. also ran.

A Question Of Sanity

Among the curiosities of journalism a recent alarming and alarmed article on Roosevelt in the New York Sun commands the notice that the judicious might accord to the antics of a man in a towering rage. Hear our contemporary cleanse his bosom of its perilous stuff:

Of Mr. Rosevelt's proficiency in the arts of the politician in the worst significance of that word he has left us no room for doubt. A more conscienceless or more reckless demagogue never afflicted this country. By slow and insidious degrees he has upset the public confidence, arrayed class against class and fomented mistrust and hatred. No one ever approached him in creating a hopeless disaffection and unrest in the ranks of labor. He joined a labor union under conditions of intense publicity; he has constituted himself the champion of every known extremity; he has associated upon terms of close personal intimacy with the worst and most sinister figures among those professional disturbers of whom Orchard, Moyer, Pettibone and Haywood are the familiar expression, and he has welcomed them as the guests of the president of the United States in the White House at Washington. All this has been accompanied by the steady denunciation and sophisticated vituperation of capital, especially of capital invested in railroads.

It is ill arguing with an angry man or a woman in hysterics. When a drab falls a-cursing she does not make converts, although she may invite pity. A torrent of filthy language directed at the chief magistrate of the nation suggests inquiry as to the sanity of the writer, and when, by way of climax, he accuses Roosevelt of a "mind unhinged" one natural speculates concerning his own mental state.

Part of this comedy—it is nothing more—comes when the New York World engages in serious discussion and refutation of the Sun's tall talk. It takes the Sun a column and a half of words to discover that there are two Roosevelts. One of these is Roosevelt, the politician, and the other is like this:

The other Roosevelt shares Lincoln's mastering desire to serve the people and leave a name that will shine forever in the American history. This is the Theodore Roosevelt who has grappled with trusts and corporations, terrorized cowardly Wall street, smashed the mean money power and but for Cortelyou, Bacon and Root, had almost broken the shameful alliance between predatory plutocracy and the government of the United States.

Roosevelt has plenty of faults. He is headstrong, positive. On occasion he goes off half cocked, but he has always shown himself ready to correct a mistake. The people believe in him, because he is very human and lovable and because they know he is honest. They love him for the enemies he has made, and among the most noisy of these may be counted Harper's Weekly and the New York Sun, whose malignity is inspired by "certain malefactors of great wealth." These influences feel very bad about Roosevelt, but we scarcely realized how alarming was their condition until we read the Sun. This may arouse a feeling of pity for the drab, but in another sense it is only funny.—San Francisco Call.

Treasury Balance

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. —Today's statement of the treasury balance in the general fund shows:

Available cash balance $266,159,684.
Gold coin and bullion, $32,286,156.
Gold certificates, $65899,980.

MINERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE FROM DROWNING IN A COAL SHAFT.

HAZLETON, Pa., Dec. 21. — More than 150 miners narrowly escaped drowning today in the No. 4 stope of the Lehigh Valley and Wilkesbarre Coal company at Audenried through the unexpected tapping of a large body of water in the abandoned No. 1 stope adjoining. The water reached to the chins of some of the men, who got to the surface through two separate openings. Officials at first thought that all of the men had been accounted for, but later the body of a Polish miner was found in the No. 4 stope. He is believed to be the man who fired the shot that broke the barrier between the men and the water. The rush of air was so great when the water broke through that the lights on the lamps of most of the men in the stope were extinguished. The flood rapidly subsided.

Dies on Mountain Divide

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., Dec. 21.—Thomas J. Cockrist of Mabronville, Ky, died from heart failure on a Denver & Rio Grande passenger train last night while crossing the Tennessee Pass. He was enroute to visit a brother in California.

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FRESNO COUNTY HAS THIRD OF INDIANS OF THE STATE

Measures Being Taken For Amelioration of Fast Disappearing Race—Indian Society at Clovis.

Of the few remaining Indians in this state, Fresno county contains nearly a third. There is an interesting field here for study and research. At present the humanitarian aspect is receiving attention and a branch of the Northern California Indian association has been organized at Clovis and is doing an important work. The recent tour of inspection made by government agents here has excited interest in the condition of Poor Lo in this county.

The Northern California Indian association was organized about thirteen years ago to work for the physical, moral and educational advancement of the California Indians. It is a branch of the Nation I Indian association, the headquarters of which is in New York city. A cursory investigaation into the condition of the Indians in Northern California was made several years ago and a petition was prepared and sent to Congress, by the Association, asking that steps be taken for their relief.

After three years' effort, an appropriation of $100,000 was made and C. E. Kelsey, secretary of the Association, was appointed special Indian agent, to administer it under control of the Indian office and to make a thorough investigation of the existing conditions. Kelsey submitted a comprehensive report to Congress last year that is filled with interesting information concerning the Indians of this State, beginning with the Mission period in 1769, and tracing their history down to the present.

Work of Association.

The headquarters of the Association is in San Jose, Miss Cornelia Taber of that city, occupying the position of corresponding secretary; it is entirely non-sectarian, the membership, at present being represented by at least ten denominations.

A circular letter has been issued by the Association briefly calling attention to the miserable condition in which the Indians now live and appealing to the people of the state for assistance in ameliorating this condition. In speaking of the rapid increase in the number of Indians in the state, Dr. C. Hart Merriam of the Biological Survey, is quoted as follows:

"The principal cause of the appallingly great and rapid decrease in the Indians of California is not the number directly slain by the whites, or the number directly killed by whiskey or disease, but a much more subtle and dreadful thing: It is the gradual but progressive and relentless confiscation of their lands and homes, in consequence of which they are forced to seek refuge in remote and barren localities, often far from water, usually with an impoverished supply of food, and not infrequently, in places where the winter climate is too severe for their enfeebled constitutions. Victims of the aggressive selfishness of the whites, outcasts in the land of their fathers, outraged in their most sacred institutions, weakened in body, broken in spirit, and fully conscious of the hopelessness of their condition, must we wonder that the wail for the dead is often heard in their camps?"

Work for Missionaries.

The duty of the people of the state to the Indian is set forth in the following paragraph:

"There is a mission field at our very doors which belongs to us. Other races come to us of their own volition. We thrust ourselves upon the Indians, took their land, their food supply, their means of livelihood and gave them in exchange, little but our vices. Wrote an old friend of the race, 'I cannot but think that the Indians' chance of heaven is less since the white man came to California than before.' His coming resulted in the death of 100,000 Indians in the course of 75 years. 'The voice of thy brother's blood crieth to me from the ground.' The day is past when men laid to a dispensation of Providence, all the calamties that befall the human race because of its own sin and carelessness.

"The old Puritan idea that the Indian Canaanites were to be thrust out of the land before the people of the Lord is no longer advanced by pulpit and press, but it is acted upon by people who ought to know better. It is too late in time to plead the divine right of the white race to the earth and all upon it. God made the Indians with souls and bodies like our own; 'human nature in red,' Gen. Morgan called it. The supreme right of the strong white race, is the right to protect the weak, to raise the fallen. We may have been selected to rule the world, but it is to the rule of the followers of Him who said, 'I am among you as he that serveth.'".

Our Indians' Story.

Kelsey was appointed special Indian agent for California, in 1905, by the Secretary of the Interior, to investigate the existing conditions and report to Congress some plan to improve the same. In the discharge of his duties he visited and personally inspected almost every Indian settlement between the Oregon line and the Mexican border.

About 12,000 miles' travel was required and as most of the settlements are distant from the railroad, much of this distance was covered on horses. He reports that the state has an Indian population of a little more than 17,000, about 500 of whom live in Fresno county. In 1850, a census estimate was 100,000, and competent authorities claim that in 1800 there were at least 260,000 Indians in the state.

He says, "Your special agent has examined their situation and can not see that their condition is such as to be a matter of satisfaction either to the Government of the United States or to the people of California. A decrease in the population of 94 per cent in a single century and mostly within forty or fifty years is certainly exceptional and would seem to be a fact in which we can neither take pride nor escape responsibility."

An Attractive Land.

California is a very attractive land to us today and it was equally attractive to our aboriginal predecessors. The food supply was large and the population probably larger than all the rest of the United States. There was also a conglomeration of Indian races; more than 200 more or less distinct dialects were spoken, classified by ethnologists into twenty-two or twenty-three linguistic stocks.

Two of these distinct stocks disappeared prior to the American occupation and one other is now confined to Oregon, representatives of all of the remaining stocks survive to this day. The California Indians were not very warlike and their wars were small affairs compared with those of the Indians of the plains. Indians speaking dialects of the same stock were usually friendly although each California village was independent of all others and there seemed to have been but little idea of tribal organization.

The Mission Period.

The Mission period began in 1769 and ended with the secularization of the missions by the Mexican government, in 1834. The region covered by the missions extended from the Mexican line to Santa Rosa and from the Pacific ocean to the San Joaquin valley. The completion of the great work done by the Franciscan Fathers in civilizing the Indians was not allowed by the Mexican Government.

The Indians had complained bitterly o fthier state of dependence, yet when their dependence ceased they proved utterly unable to maintain themselves. Upon the spoliation of the missions a scramble took place for lands. A feeble attempt was made to reserve some land for the Indians, but it proved ineffective. A few Indians who had come from the San Joaquin valley returned there; those who were able to return to the mountains thus saved themselves from extinction, but the great body of the Mission Indians undoubtedly perished where they lived, most of them, however, died under the Mexican period and not under that of the United States.

Indian Holds the Bag.

In spite of and perhaps partly due to the fact that the California Indians never took up arms against the United States the majority of them are homeless today. They were not citizens and therefore could not take up land. They were not aliens and therefore could not be naturalized and become citizens.

Hence the settlers had what might be termed a "cinch" on the Indians and by the time the Indian allotment act was passed in 1887, there was no land of value left called.

Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.

Kelsey says of the treaty:

"The Treaty of Gaudalupe Hidalgo, which ceded California to the United States, guaranteed Mexican land titles in the ceded territory as they stood at the time of the tranfer. Under Spanish and Mexican land laws Indians had certain rights to the lands they occupied and could not legally be evicted from them. It would seem that this right was an interest in land one one entitled to protection under the provisions of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.

"The Act of Congress which provided for the settlement of the titles to Spanish and Mexican grants imposed upon the commision appointed to make the settlement the duty of first setting apart for Indian use all lands occupied by them. It may therefore be assumed that Congress considered that the Indians had substantial rights. It was the duty of the commission to investigate and confirm the Indian title wherever Indians occupied lands included within the limits of a Spanish or Mexican grant.

"Your special agent has found but two cases out of several hundred grants where this was done, Panama and Santa Ynez, and in the latter case the terms of the settlement were so uncertain that an action is now pending in the state courts in regard to it. The new owners of the Spanish grants had to rely upon the Spanish law to sustain the validity of their titles, but were prompt to appeal to the American law to evict the Indians—something they could not legally do under the terms of their grants. It is needless to say that the Indians were evicted the most recent instance being Warner's Ranch.

"Four-fifths of the California Indians, however, were not affected by Spanish grants, nor did they come under Spanish or Mexican influence, and their undoing began with the great gold excitement of 1849. When the United States came into full legal ownership of California in 1848, the Spanish or Mexican laws relating to Indians were not adopted, as has been erroneously stated. The policy of the United States adopted toward its new Indian wards in all the ceded territory was exactly the same as everywhere else. The Indian ideas of land ownership are radically different from ours. Our Government has never acknowledged that the Indian idea of land ownership, this is correct.

"But the United States has always recognized, and the Supreme Court has held that the Indians have a right to occupy the land, which right is termed the Indian right of occupancy, a right which can be cancelled only by mutual agreement. All Indian lands in the United States, except in a portion of California, have been acquired by the Government of the United States, and acquired only by payment therefor. Even the lands ceded by the Sioux after the freak outbreak were paid for. The Indian right of occupancy was in the beginning recognized in California.

Commission Makes Treaties.

"The Government sent out a commission which made treaties with nearly all the Indian tribes in the State. Sixteen treaties were negotiated in Northern California and two in Southern California. These treaties were all very similar in text. The Indians agreed to cede their lands to the United States and to keep the peace, and to accept certain reservations described by notes and bounds in the treaties. The Government agreed to reserve forever for Indian use the lands described in the treaties, and to pay a certain specified price, payable in a great variety of things, such as provisions, live stock, and miscellaneous goods.

"The value of the goods thus promised the Indians in Northern California was about $1,500,000, and the land reserved was about 5,500,000 acres, worth at the government price of $1.25 per acre, about $7,000,000. In Southern California the goods promised were worth about $300,000, and about 2,000,000 acres of land was reserved, worth at $1.25 per acre, about $2,500,000. Some of these reservations were laid out in the mining districts, and were strongly opposed by the miners. At that time, in 1851, Indian treaties were submitted to the Senate for ratification. As California had gathered men of influence from all over the land, the miners' protest carried such weight that the Senate rejected not only those treaties that affected the mining districts but all the treaties.

Other Indians Paid.

"No great effort seems ever to have been made to make new treaties, or in any way to acquire the Indian title from that day to this, nor have the California Indians ever received one cent for their rights in the lands which they have lost. The Osages, Cherokees, and other eastern tribes have received millions for precisely the same rights in land, not nearly so valuable, and no reason has been advanced why the California Indians alone, of all the Indians of America, should receive no compensation for their lands."

Indian Is Good Laborer.

Men who employ Indians as common laborers state that one Indian is worth fully as much as three Japanese laborers. In some localities the Indians have all the work they can do. In more localities a very curious race prejudice, different than that against Asiatics, militates against their employment.

In other places there is little work of any kind to be obtained and the Indians often go 50 or 100 miles for fruit and hop picking. This is often all the work they can get in the year. A tale is told of an Indian who settled in a fertile valley, planted a little garden and some fruit trees, near a stream and was raising his family there when a white man came along, admired the beautiful little spot and ordered the Indian to move on.

The Indian having no right to the land, was forced to make way for the avaricious adventurer. Another spot was chosen and improved by the Indian. No sooner than he had everything nicely arranged than a second man came along and ordered him to move on. This was repeated seven times in the experience of this one family.

And this is not an isolated case, but an example of the universal experience of the Indians of the State. The fact that they have no chance from which they are sure then can not be evicted works a great hardship upon them in the matter of securing steady employment.

White Friends to Rescue.

Quoting again from Kelsey's report:

"Very few Indians have been able to rise above the distressing conditions they have lived under and to acquire land by purchase. Still there are a number of Indian communities owning land in common. Indianola, Humboldt County, Upper Lake, Lake County, Potter Valley, Coyote Valley, Pinoleville, Guidiville, Carroll, in Mendocino County are all inhabited by Indians who own their own land, though it was purchased by white friends in most cases. The conditions in these settlements are far from satisfactory. They are sadly overcrowded, and are becoming more so as the Indians evicted elsewhere join the communities. At Potter Valley, 52 Indians are living upon fourteen acres of land that would not support a single white family.

"At Coyote Valley thirty-six live upon seven acres, and at Guidiville 55 live upon five acres. At Upper Lake they have 30 acres of land, of which but twenty-five is level enough to build a house on. The hill land is good grazing land, but the whole place would not be large enough for more than one white family. One hundred and seventy-seven Indians live there and there are more than 250 in the band. There are also three communities living upon land owned by religious or private associations, one near Chico owned by the Presbyterian Board of Missions; one near Kelseyville, owned by the Roman Catholic Church; and one near Manchester owned by the Northern California Indian association. In these three settlements conditions are much better, as they are not so overcrowded, and there is some attention paid to the welfare of the Indians themselves.

Interesting Experiment.

"An interesting experiment has been under way at Fort Independence, Inyo County, which seems to be giving much better satisfaction than the allotments under the General Allotment Act. The old military reservation at Fort Independence has been turned over to the Indian Bureau, and has been allotted, or rather apportioned among the Indians of that settlement. There are twenty tracts, of from two and one-half to five acres per family, and forty-three families, or 122 souls, have homes on the tract. The land is of good quality and the water supply ample. The Indians are making good use of the land and the conditions among them seem excellent. In fact, the experiment is so successful that your special agent suggests it for consideration as a model in the proposed relief of the Northern California Indians.

Indian Religion.

"In the native religion of the Indians, a sort of shamanism, intercommunion with the spirits of the dead is one of the chief features. The Indians continually make offerings to the manes of their deceased ancestors and friends, especially at the annual feast of the dead, and they expect to receive in return protection from all manner of spiritual and earthly terrors. The desire of the Indian to remain by the bones of his ancestors is therefore much more than a mere sentiment, and the feeling is still strong, even among those who have been Christians for a generation or so. An Indian will endure great extremities rather than abandon his locality, a trait that has not always been given proper weight it attempting to handle Indians.

Have Lost All Hope.

"The sanitary condition of the Indian rancherias is bad, but the feeling of helplessness and despair is worse. Most of the Indians seem to have lost all hope of escape from their present situation and have become familiar with the idea that they will all die off soon any way. It is evident that if the Indian is to keep alive he must have some means of making his living. He must do so by his own labor, either for himself or for others. Most of the Northern California Indians being landless, the opportunity to work for themselves is wanting, and they must of necessity work for others. If the supply of labor for Indians was sufficient in all localities and well distributed during the year, the problem would be light, but in many localities the labor is not to be had in sufficient amounts, and the Indians thus suffer great strains in endeavoring to keep alive.

Responsibility of Government.

"The responsibility of the National Government for the present condition of the non-reservation Indians of California seems clear. Had the Government given those Indians the same treatment as it did other Indians in the United States, their condition today would be very different. Those Indians of California who have received land, if not increasing in numbers, are at least not decreasing very fast. Most of the landed bands are about stationary in numbers. The entire Indian population of Northern California has decreased as closely as your special agent can estimate by about 2,000 in the last three years, most of the decrease being in the landless bands.

"It should be remembered that the Government still owes these people considerable sums of money, morally at least, for the Government owes more than money. No amount of money can repay these Indians for the years of misery, despair, and death which the Government policy has inflicted upon them. No reason suggests itself to your special agent why these Indians in the same situation as all other Indians in the United States, why they should not receive a definite portion of the lands which they have not as yet ceded to the United States. It seems clear to your special agent that the Northern California Indians have not had a 'square deal,' and that it is not too late to do belated justice.

"The landless Indians cannot be placed in status quo ante, for they can be given what is sometimes expressed as 'a white man's chance.' It ought to be possible to put an end to the periodical wiping out of the Indian children. It seems that we are under the necessity of civilizing the Indian whether we like the job or not, or whether the Indian wants to be civilized or not. We are therefore under obligation to make at least a decent effort to accomplish the task without injury to the Indian."

Kelsey now has a second report before Congress and it is thought that a large appropriation will be made at this session for the carrying on of the relief work among the Indians. It is the hope of the Association that the head of each Indian family will be supplied with a permanent home, that Field Matrons will be sent into the field to instruct Indian women and girls in all branches of domestic economy and that better educational facilities will be placed at the disposal of the Indian children.

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BY LOUIS J. STELLMAN

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"OH, yes, I like the climate,"
Said the youngster from the east.
He said it in a grudging sort of way.
"There'll be flowers on the table
When they have the Christmas feast;
The sun's a-shinin' every single day.

"But there ain't no snow a-fallin';
That's what bothers me the most.
(Seems funny;
I can't get it through my head.)
There ain't no fellers callin',
'Hey, come out an' have a coast!'

The kids out here they never seen a sled.

"They never shied a *soaker*
At a car conductor's face
Nor never made a snow man ten feet high;
They never hopped a runner,
An' they never slid a race
Or had gum boots that come up to the thigh.

"They never went a-skatin'
'Cept on wooden roller skates;
They never went a-fishin' on the ice;

They never had a snow fight,
Makin' shields out of their slates,
Nor other winter fun that's awful nice.

"It ain't no Christmas weather,
An' I wish I was back there.

A feller might get used to this—perhaps.
They say that it's God's country;
Maybe so, but I don't care.
In winter 'tain't no place for eastern chaps."

THE BEST OF ALL IS PERFECT HEALTH

THIS world has now no use for the sickly, weakling woman. It has outgrown her. A sickly girl would not be pleasant to live with, and no normal, wholesome person would live with her from choice. To a person of sensitive organization there would be something very like poison in her atmosphere. The "delicate" woman cannot hold her own in business. She does not deserve to. She is incompetent and will be shoved out of the swim every time. The commercial world calls for strong, cheerful, sound women, rosy and pleasant to look at. A girl who is weakly and forlorn looking, carrying with her an air of depression and weeping-willow-ishness, will be rejected every time she applies for a place, if anybody else can be obtained. She ought to be rejected. It is indecent, nothing less, to go into the world with a sickish, down in the mouth atmosphere tainting all around with it.

Let the weakling, diseased woman brace up and be determined she will get health. Almost everything lies in that. Let her take daily baths, using cold water plentifully over her body, following the warm scrub. Let her begin now, today, to claim her share of the forty-five mile deep layer of oxygen that surrounds our planet. No matter how much we eat or how good and nourishing our food is, it cannot be assimilated unless the blood produced from it is oxygenized to the splendid, gleaming scarlet color of the true arterial blood.

Remember every woman living has it in her power to get this splendid scarlet blood in her body by simply breathing abundantly of pure air. Where people who have lived a century are examined it is found that without exception they have the habit of deep, regular breathing. Does not the ancient sacred writing declare that the breath is the life? The woman who, in addition to thus vitalizing and enlarging the air cells of her lungs, takes plenty of exercise and refuses to worry or to become passionately angry or jealous will in time secure good health, if her mind be firmly fixed on that, as it must be.

Occasionally even now one hears a girl utter the despicable thought which is in the minds of, it is to be hoped, not many women, "Oh, I mean to be married so as to quit work and be taken care of." Does such a girl ever ask herself: What have I to give to a man and to the human race in return for being taken care of? Have I a strong, healthy, well developed body? Have I a good stomach [illegible] and good eyesight [illegible] any chronic d[illegible] telling fals[illegible] others t[illegible] trol m[illegible] and [illegible]

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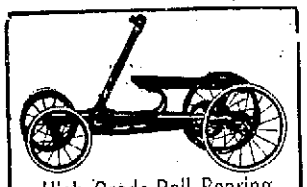

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THOUGHTS ON MODERN LITERATURE AS AFFECTING SOCIAL HARMONIES

The following address delivered before the Parlor Lecture club by C. H. Shinn is deemed worthy of a fuller publication than the limits of a news report would admit, and hence is given in its entirety this morning:

Thoughts on Modern Literature.
(As connected with the Evolution of a Higher Social Order.)

Ladies of Fresno: It is a time when all human existence is becoming a matter of problems which are no longer to be considered separately, but as inter-related and inter-dependent, and as leading in every case to a still higher group of problems which move on forever and forever in a limitless and unconditional universe.

We find it increasingly hard to maintain a serenity of soul, and still harder to live out lives that are both joyous and effective. With an increasing desire, as the years pass, do we wish to serve our time and generation, and thus to create, as if we were indeed servants and allies, of fate, the new, the gladder, the finer and the more capable and lovable social order.

To this end, as we all know, it is absolutely essential that each one of us be willing to spend and to be spent, down to the last drop of force, the last electric spark of energy. But inextricably interwoven with this immense claim of Life and the Social Order upon the individual, is the counter claim of the individual upon the social order itself, and upon Life in the greater sense, involving all that lives and thinks in the whole universe. Unless, and until, these purposes which instinctively war with each other are reconciled, harmonized, related and bound together in some complete and final way, there is chaos and hopelessness.

We are justified to ourselves for our social organizations, our clubs, our libraries, the time we take for art, music, literature, gymnastics, historical and other studies, only by the faith that thus and thus alone can we rise, under the law. Thus, and thus only, the true workman becomes the Master Builder; and thus and only thus can the new temple of humanity be so greatly planned and constructed that it contains, explains and justifies in the larger sense all the worth-while work of all the ages that have toiled, suffered and passed away.

I think that we must start with the working assumption that all which is worth the serious study and labor of intelligent human beings is worth this only to the extent that it proposes more closely to relate the individual to a higher social order—either to one which already exists, or has existed upon the earth, or to one which is only known in the visions of the poet, the mystic the philosopher or the man of science slowly spelling out letter by letter, new sentences from the Book of Life. We cannot know all the art, all the music, all the dramas, sciences, histories, philosophies and religions, new and old. How excellent a thing it is that we cannot know them all! It is greater to be able to pass by, to put aside, and to choose.

In the final analysis, the whole Social Order, of human existence past and present, moves forward to one end. To this purpose, veiled, but not the less real and insistent, were, or are, Greek tyrants, Venetian Councils of Ten, rebellious barons, French revolutions, Peasant wars, and mighty Crusades. To this end were, or are the republics the aristocracies, the feudalisms, the socialisms and all the experiments in constitutions of States and nations. To this end were, or are the War Dukes of old, the Knights of King Arthur, the legislatures and parliaments, the Popes, Presidents and Mikados.

To what end, you ask? In order that the multitudinous individual drops of the ocean of life may be gathered together into mighty and mightier waves, moved to finer impulses, shaped to more supreme results, subject to higher and wiser laws.

Each and every system of government or organization, great and small only proposes better to unite, relate and shape the individual, and the social order, to some ideal, selfish or unselfish, reactionary, conservative or progressive.

Nor must we forget that above and beyond all these lesser expressions of the forces which make for human organization, there are those enormous and not-to-be-described race movements that appall or inspire. These, indeed, are nearest of all to universal humanity. No one is yet capable of understanding their full meaning. We only hide behind a phrase when we say "Germanic," "Slavonic," "Romanic," "Japanese," "Mongolian;" or when we speak of the Keltic Revival in literature, or the "Neo-Classic" in art. Still less are we able to measure that even greater division of the world into Oriental and Occidental. About that marvelous fact are clustered the history, philosophy and religion of the human race. Partial and broken generalizations on all these things get into text books, linger in lecture-halls, cloud the atmosphere, conceal the mountains and the stars.

It is only by deliberately turning ourselves away from all such larger aspects of the social order that we can ever arrive at a reasonable working philosophy of literature or of life. I think that we must begin by understanding the scientific place in human affairs of what are called "conventions."

They exist; some of us lean upon them a little more than is wise and are called conventional if nothing worse; some of us depart from them with or without reason, and are called at least unconventional, if not iconoclastic or much worse than this.

But let us understand our conventions, which may be literary, or social or both. I shall begin by telling what has happened not once only, but many times, in the evolution of order. It sounds like a story; it is a leaf from the great book of Fate.

There was once a rock in the ocean, and the forces of nature shaped it age after age, till animals and plants occupied it. One day a new-shipwrecked Adam took possession with his two hands, falling on the beach as William the Conqueror fell upon the sands of Hastings and rose, crying, "I have taken seizin of this country and it is mine!" This Adam brought with him all of an old world's conventions; they fell from him hour by hour until he hardly wore clothes. He made his own customs, of course, and changed them as he pleased, and he named his island 'Svoboda," which is Slavonic for liberty. And yet he discovered in time that he was not alone in his loneliness and that Emerson's "great Dame Nature," had foreseen it all with her wonderful principle of dualism. For it was the man—and his body; it was the man—and the laws of nature of which laws he was himself a part; it was the today and the tomorrow, seedplot and harvest. Thus even in Svoboda conventions more eternal than the stars began to shape the social order which was as yet only the life of this New Adam.

One day there came to Svoboda another ship-wrecked waif; the New Eve adds the sex problem and the equally astounding problem of The Second Personage—both at one stroke. The first Adam had both of these items thrown at him without any warning one sunrise in his Eden. The new Adam ran to his cave, and resumed the conventional garments of civilization.

From a world familiar to both of them the whole group of larger conventions about which all our lives revolve no matter how free we are pleased to call ourselves, took possession of Svoboda. They do not need a multitude of lesser conventions born from the complex relations of crowded lives elsewhere. But none the less, there, on that sea-girt island, Adam and Eve meeting, must work out, either in some higher and permanent way, or in some low and temporary way, the fundamental problems that underlie this great question: "What are the first relations of two humans beings to each other?" First, it is one to one; then it is one and one to two; lastly it gets to be that same old world-problem on the One to the Many. For others find Svoboda: family and State evolve; the whole social contract is once more created, and accepted, by a busy and struggling community which hungers and thirsts to be at one wit hother peoples and continents. And let me tell you, too, that in Svoboda, Adam and Eve grown old, are apt to cling to all the conventions great and small; that the young and enthusiastic are very apt to make war upon all conventions alike; and, lastly, that those in the prime of life and energy who are carrying Svoboda forward on their shoulders to better and better things, while no slaves of blind conventions are yet loyal to the golden past of tradition, custom and long usage.

Here, then, the evolution of a higher and nobler social order begins; in the complete and happy recognition of the essential value of all of us the mere "conventions" of life.

"Conventions" simply represent the concensus of public opinion, the general conclusions which experience has taught the entire community. At their best they lie at the foundations; at their average they save us much brain-wear; even at their worst they keep alive some classic traditions and link us with an immemorial past. Marriage itself is a convention, an agreement, a social compact; so is the polite fiction or half-truth by which neighbors meet with pleasant words, no matter how they feel inside. And whenever the satirist calls woman "the unconventional sex," please remind him that history and philosophy agree that human progress, now and forever, depends very much indeed upon that especial gift for conserving energy and handing down social principles in the form of broad conventions, which women seem to possess considerably more than men do. Individual women may sometimes lay too much stress upon well-defined conventions, but women as a class do not. Women, as well as men, are able to recognize the rightfulness of exceptions, the necessity of an appeal to a right reason from a hampering or stupid convention.

In all art and literature the ceaseless struggle of great nature to find expression ends at last in the adoption of certain high "conventions." As soon as those great conventions are accepted, all the worth-while artists or writers recognize them without losing their personalities. Thus we have the Greek classics, the glory of the Renaissance, the Elizabethan drama and a host of splendid traditions. In time a change comes, and breaking away on every hand are iconoclasts scornful of the conventions that once made a famous school of literature. They are merely trying to establish and substitute their own "conventions."

But if this were all, we should only have a continual ebb and flow of changing conventions, and no evolution of a higher social order could ever develop.

Is there any test, then, of those real and increasing values in life and literature for which we look with our whole hearts? How shall we know the greatly sane and strong thinker; the true prophet and high priest? Mainly by this: That through the right sort of a book runs a clear sense of endless striving toward more life and more wealth, and away from chaos and disease. Let me emphasize this. The really great and helpful book must be clear as a crystal ocean, and clean as a mountain spring. It must have the elemental virtues, even when it most shocks some of the lesser conventions.

But there is a modern literature which has become a mere maze of soul-problems. It deals with brain-racking, over-wrought phrases. People get into the habit of sitting around over such books and whispering: "What do you suppose that Bernard Shaw really meant when he wrote, thus and so?" The thing seems to mean something great and terrible, but no one is ever quite sure. I once attempted to read Gorky's "Children of the Sun"—a drama that wholly lacks the dramatic; and Andreef's "Red Laughter," with its self-destructive naturalism. The whole thing is older than Webster's frightful play about the wicked Duchess, in the days before Shakespeare.

Let us bear in mind the principle that all high art is clear in form, and most definite in aim, and that it is absolutely sane and healthy. You can tell this principle a "convention," and so it is, just as is the marriage ceremony. Now, we have fallen upon a great group of new writers in these days, who offer us only a vague and incongruous or even a deadly philosophy of life. Their plays, novels, poems and essays are supposed to be crowded with esoteric meaning. But such a literature has yielded all its strength to a strange and unhealthy aberration of the soul. It has forever lost touch with the true social order. It will fade out, and wholly perish.

Such "modern" thought is really as old as the pyramids. It mixes a pseudo pastoral simplicity and a decadent aestheticism, with literary emotion and morbid self-contemplation. It is fond of a very grand style; it often tells us about the cosmic opposition between the male and female principles, and of a love which is hate and a hate which is love; and (to sum it up) of a social order which does not and cannot exist in any growing world.

Many years ago I met Oscar Wild, then in the flush of his strange and almost forgotten influence over young men. He was establishing a school of decadent writers; some of his own work was already white with leprosy, and there was the smell of a charnel house about it. Yet his admirers continually said: "He takes up the problems of modern life with utter fearlessness. Look for the hidden meaning behind his mysticism; his work is full of symbols and types."

The seed that was sown by the wrecked genius of Wilde is blossoming today in many a flower of modernistic literature. Its one great sin is lack of a sane comprehension of those primary problems of life with which this essay began—viz., the true relationships of One to One, of One to Two, of One to Many and of Many to One. Its lesser faults are lack of self restraint and of artistic beauty.

To sum it up: This group of writers, whose claims to our attention are most self-insistent, have not hesitated to investigate everything—the individual, home, sex, the country, the race, the universe, belief, superstition, disease, all with a self-immolating cruelty. They are called the modern realists because they take nothing for granted; because nothing is too sacred, or too certain, or too unimportant, to be again tested and recorded. They have on their side the wider freedom of utterance of which the whole world is growing increasingly tolerant. Neither are they bound by any literary canons whatever. They call themselves iconoclasts; "We are the only real realists," they cry, and at the same time they advance the contradictory claim, "We are the only true mystics." I need not name them, for their work is everywhere about us, read, studied, discussed, acted on the stage. Bernard Shaw is one; Ibsen is another, Gorky stands almost at the extreme, the representative of the younger Russian school of writers.

In the main this group, though brilliant and fascinating, must be classed by sober science and philosophy as composed of merely neurotic or nerve-disease writers unrelated in any permanent way to the evolution of the social order. Maeterlinck, with his popular study of the Life of the Bee and its plain doctrine that only by the entire yielding of the one to the many can a higher social order be obtained—Maeterlinck, I say, stands apart from these others, and has undoubtedly made a sincere contribution to our literature.

What is the secret of the hold which such writers as Ibsen have upon thousands of people? It is essentially the very same secret that Alexander Dowie possessed. It consists in a large claim of esoteric wisdom made to those who are earnestly striving after higher and higher things. We read, and re-read, such a play as the Master Builder. The first, most natural impulse of the sane and healthy being is one of dislike, or disgust. These characters are unreal, we say, or if real they are not good to know. Hilda is bad; Kain and the Broviks are weak and foolish; Solness has a diseased soul; Aline is a nervous invalid. Not here the divine passions, the splendid emotions, the mighty sweep of an all-containing imagination which descends upon us from out of star-lit space, which betters and blesses the whole earth as it passes, and which is in essence the almost superhuman messenger of the coming social order.

But the Ibsenites cry, "Hait! You put vulgar and profane hands upon the ark: these people are types and symbols; his play is a great and mystical expression of youth and age."

It may be so, and it may thus appeal to and thus help some natures. But if anyone fails to find light, joy, hope and the helping of life in Ibsen and such writers for religious inspiration in a Dowie) then I would say to her Do not be discouraged; there are a great many writers who are wholly sane, wholly clear; who need no interpreters but speak soul to soul.

For twenty-five years I have watched the riding tide of what may be termed the literature of a pseudo-symbolism. It has passed the turn, and is ebbing away. In a few more years only its spume and scurf, and seaweed and wreck will be left on the sands of time. Up in my mountains is an old man, once prominent and capable, who is writing his second book. He tells me all about it. He says that he proves therein that all the writings on earth are mere types and symbols. The historian Josephus he believes to represent the United States Treasury; Ancient Jerusalem is the American financial system; the book of Revelations is simply, and only, a mystical account of things that are to happen to the United States. The story of the San Francisco earthquake is to be read in the Wars of Judas Maccabaeus.

To my mind there is only one way by which we can get the good of literature. We must take the author wholly at his face-value. If that value unfolds, deepens, broadens, and becomes at last a permanent part of our life-equipment, well and good.

But whosoever claims, in set terms, to be a mystic and a seer, is only trading upon one of the finest traits of humanity—our desire for the celestial vision. You remember Robert Chambers' stories of that horrible character, that old fraud, that mystic poet, the father of Tole? The paths of modern literature are crowded with poets, novelists and dramatists who are own brothers to that old scoundrel.

I turn to Poe, to Blake, to Coleridge, to DeQuincey, and many another of this great fellowship, and there I find the real and the eternal mysticism which is wholly lacking in all of those of whom I have been speaking. To love and to understand the greatly imaginative writers, is to be forever freed from the dominion of the lesser ones. Think of DeQuincy, who builded "upon the bosom of darkness out of the fantastic imagery of the brain cities and temples beyond the art of Phidias and Praxiteles, and beyond the splendor of Babylon." Think of those wonderful clear-cut sentences of almost superhuman vividness, grace and force in which Keats and Shelley, Coleridge and Shakespeare and many another set forth what they saw!

These, and such as these, are our true mystics. As an unknown writer in the New York Post has lately said: "For them our towers and goergeous palaces, our solemn temples and the great globe itself have been the insubstantial pageant, while the realities have lain wheer foot of flesh shall never tread and mortal eye shall never pierce. In this they show their kinship with the prophets and mystics of all races and climes and above all, with the Hebrew seers who beheld the Holy City of Jerusalem coming down from above, the river of water of life clear as crystal, and the Ancient Days with raiment white as snow and throne of fiery flames."

All this sums up in the great saying "We are such stuff as dreams are made of, and our little life is rounded with a sleep."

But the real mystic at his best only sets a burning flame upon the mountain-top, and illumes the tale would and and the social order be left almost unshaped by literature were it not for the profound and everbroadening influence which high dreams have ever had upon men and women of action.

Strangest and most wonderful fact it is of all things known, marvelous lives that, set though we are between darkness and darkness between the past and the To Be, no wise or sane person folds his hands for rest, but only gathers the greater inspiration from life's brevity and mystery.

All those who are our leaders learn the finer force of their leadership and the true mystics. The dreams of Mahomet controlled and guided the lives of some of the most practical and efficient soldiers and statesmen the world has ever seen. After the philosopher comes the man of action; and after the dreamer of great dreams comes the creator of new social ideals. Only from a literature that is sane, healthy, definite, powerful and universal can come inspirations fit to shape and guide the evolution of a higher and yet higher Social Order.

CHARLES HOWARD SHINN.

Skull Mended by Napoleon's Surgeon.

From the Indianapolis News.

Dr. William B. Fletcher was a student in craniology, and at his death he left an interesting collection of skulls, human and of the lower animals. These relics are kept in a case at the Fletcher sanatorium, in East Market street. Among them is one of peculiar interest, of which the doctor was quite proud, and about which he delighted to talk to his friends.

"This skull," as the doctor told the writer, "was worn as late as 1868 by an old German, who as a boy eighteen or twenty years old, was in the campaign of 1812 under the great Napoleon, in his disastrous invasion of Russia. This old German came to Indianapolis, and for some years took care of the horses of Dr. Theophilus Parvin and of mine.

"He was about seventy-two years old when he died. During the Russian campaign he had been cut down by a Russian saber stroke which fractured his skull, but the important thing in his story was that his skull was trephined by Larrey, Napoleon's great surgeon, himself, the broken pieces of bone removed, and that he should have come to Indianapolis so far away from his home and have lived to such an age.

This was, in substance, the story told by Dr. Fletcher of the surgeon who may be regarded among the founders of modern surgery, as a man who was remembered by the great Napoleon in his will, made at St. Helena: "I bequeath to my surgeon, Larrey, the most honest man I ever knew, 100,000 francs."

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BANK CLEARINGS

Clearings of the Fresno city banks for December 21, 1907, according to the figures of the Fresno Clearing House:

Morning	$58,371.53
Afternoon	55,868.23
Total	$114,239.76

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21—Fruits — Fancy apples 200; common 60.

Berries — Strawberries nominal; raspberries nominal; cranberries 350@1200.

Grapes—Isabella 100@140; Muscat 100@140.

Pears—Fancy 250.

Persimmons 50@65.

Oranges—Navels 125@250; Seedlings 75@150; Mexican limes 350@450.

Lemons—Common California —125@175 good to choice 175@250; fancy 275@350.

Tropical fruits— Bananas 100@350; pineapples 300@650; Persian dates 06.

Beans—Pink 310@320; Lima 475@500; small white 340@350; large white 320@340

Potatoes— Oregon Burbanks 100@125; Salinas Burbanks 125@150; Merced Sweets 250@300.

Onions—Fancy 185@200.

Various—Green peas 2@5; string beans 5@15; egg plant 8@10; green peppers 4@6; tomatoes 50@175; summer squash 100@125; garlic 4@6.

Butter—Fancy creamery 36½; Seconds 33½; fancy dairy 25 Seconds 24.

Cheese—New 14@15; Eastern 13½; Young America 14½@17.

Eggs—Ranch 42@47; store 28@30; eastern 22.

Poultry—Live turkeys 16@18; dressed turkeys 17@21; roosters, old 400@470; roosters young 600@800; broilers, small 300@350; broilers, large 400@500; fryers 500@600; hens 400@900; ducks, old, 400@500; ducks, young 300@700; geese 200@250; pigeons, old 100; pigeons, young 200@250.

Flour—Family extras 340@600; bakers' extras 540@565; Oregon and Washington 475@525.

Wheat—Shipping 160@165; milling 170@175.

Barley—Feed 152½@155; brewing 162½@167½; Chevalier nominal.

Oats—Red 175@200; white 155@165; black 275@300.

Millstuffs—Middlings 3100@3200; rolled barley 3500@3600; oatmeal 416; oat groats 480; rolled oats 4000.

Hay—Wheat 1200@1750; wheat and oat 1200@1550; oat, wild 1000@1350; oat tame 1200@1500; alfalfa 900@1400; straw 45@75.

Receipts—Flour 2534; wheat 20,245; barley 30,117; oats 60; potatoes 700; onions 15; bran 230; middlings 40,380; hops 930; wine 52,700.

EASTERN QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.— Evaporated apples 11@12c, prime 8¼@8¾c.

Prunes are unchanged, with quotations ranging from 5¼ to 11 c for California fruit and from 7 to 7¾ for Oregons.

Peaches are steady with choice quoted at 12@12½c; extra choice 12@13½c, fancy 13@½, and extra fancy at 14@14½.

Apricots are quiet with choice quoted at 22@23; extra choice at 23@25, and fancy 24@28.

Raisins are somewhat irregular, seeded raisins 7@9¼c, and London layers $1.75@$1.80.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Wheat prices on the local exchange advanced more than one cent per bushel today because of additional rains in Argentina, but practically all of the gain was lost on week-end profit taking. At the close May delivery was unchanged compared with yesterday's final quotations. Corn was off ⅛@¼c. Oats were ⅝c lower. Provisions were 7½c higher.

Higher prices at all European grain markets due to continued wet weather in Argentina induced lively buying of wheat in the local market at the opening. Offerings in the pit during the first hour were again meager and prices advanced rapidly. Indications of a falling off in the movement in the northwest helped to stimulate bullish enthusiasm. Late in the day offerings became more liberal, small holders being disposed to take profits. Nearly all of the early gain was lost as a result of this selling. The market closed steady. May opened ⅛@¾ to ⅛@⅝c higher at $1.06¾. The close was at $1.06⅝@¾c.

The corn market was weak all day notwithstanding higher cables and the bulge in wheat. The market was bearishly influenced by talk of a material increase in receipts and by the government's reports which showed a total yield of 2,592,000 bushels. The close was weak. May opened ⅛ to ¼@⅜c lower at 58 to 58⅛@¼, sold at 58¼ and then declined to 57⅝. The close was at 57⅝.

Oats were firm at the start owing to the strength induced by selling by cash houses and elevator interests. May opened ¼ higher at 54, sold off to 53¾, where it closed.

Provisions were strong owing to an advance of 10 to 15c in the price of live hogs. At the close May pork was up 7½ at 13.22½.

THE RETAIL MARKETS

Fruits and Vegetables

Lemons—15c. doz.
Apples—6¼c. lb.
Pears—5c. lb.
Cocoanuts—10c. each.
Oranges—25c. and 35c. doz.
Bananas—30c. per dozen.
Potatoes—2c.
Cabbage—2c. lb.
Celery—10c. bunch.
Lettuce—5c; 3 for 10c.
Squash—3c. lb.
Parsnips—2½c. per lb.
Onion sets—2 lbs. for 25c.
Turnips—2½c. per bunch.
Carrots—2½c. per bunch.
Green corn—30c. dozen.
Tomatoes—8c. lb.
Egg Plants—2 for 5c.
String Beans—8c. lb.
Sweet Potatoes—3½c. lb.
Horseradish roots—25c. lb.
Beets—2 lbs. 5c.

Mill Stuffs

Wheat—$2 cwt.; $33 ton.
Barley—$1.30@$1.35 sk.; $34 ton.
Corn Meal—35c. per 10 lb. sack.
Graham Meal—35c. per 10 lb. sack.
Egyptian Corn—$1.75 per 100; $30 ton.
Bran—$1.10 per sack; $29 per ton.
Flour—$1.65 to $1.70.
Middlings—$1.60 sack; $31 per ton.
Ground Alfalfa—$1.25.
Cracked Wheat—35c. per 10 lb. sack.
Oat Meal—45c. per 10 lb sack.
Rye Meal—35c. per 10 lb sack.

Butter, Eggs and Honey

Butter—Per roll 80 cents.
Colony Butter—60c. roll.
Eggs—40 cents a dozen.
Eastern Eggs, cold storage 35c. per doz.
Combed Honey—15c. comb

Fresh Meats

Beefsteak—10c. to 20c. lb.; roast, 10c. to 15c. lb.
Mutton—10c. to 20c. per lb.
Lamb—15c. to 20c. per lb.
Pork—15c. to 20c. per lb.
Veal—10c. to 20c. per lb.
Lard—15c. to 18c. per lb.

Dressed Stock

Steer—6¼c. to 7½c. per lb.
Veal—6c. to 7c. per lb.
Chickens—Broilers, dressed, 35c. to 40c per lb.; alive, 30 to 35c. per lb.
Turkeys—Dressed, 30c. per lb. alive 25c. per lb.
Chickens—Dressed hen, 25c. to 35c. per lb.; alive, 20c. to 30c. per lb.
Chickens—Fryers, dressed, 35c. to 40c. per lb.; alive, 25c. to 30c. per lb.

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BUSINESS PAPERS FILED FOR RECORD

Money In Private Hands May Be Had on Land Mortgage Securities.

J. Dalzell Brown and others as trustees of the Grangers' bank of California, have deeded to Walter L. Chappell for $400 the northwest quarter of section 28 16-15, the deed being in lieu of another dated December 10th, 1907, but lost through the mails. Chappell and wife have in turn deeded to John B. Foley.

The Coalinga Consolidated High Gravity Oil company has deeded to the Balfour-Guthrie Investment company sections 34 and 14, and the west half and the northeast quarter of 26 19-15.

Long Kee Jan and Jang How have mortgaged to M. Brady the raisins in 930 sweat boxes on the Maple Park vineyard, about five miles west of Fowler for $1700, loaned for sixty days.

S. N. Griffith and Annie T., his wife, have deeded to Lena, wife of John Miller, lots 13, 14, 15, 16, and fractional lot 17 of Griffith's Sunflower addition.

A mortgage for $500 for two years has been given to the Selma Savings bank by A. J. and L. E. Bobo on the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 12-16-20.

The Pacific Improvement company has sold to D. L. Mekeel lots N, 18, 19 and 20, and lots E and F, in block 103 of Reedley for $103.

C. B. and Lizzie S. Morrison have mortgaged to the Selma Savings bank for $600 for two years the south half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 14-16-20.

J. E. and Augusta P. Gannon have mortgaged to James Garrett, also of Tulare, lots in section 18-14-27 for $1750 for five years.

H. M. and S. Michailian have mortgaged to James Cunn for $1300 for one year lots 13, 14 and 15, in block 3 of Hadsell's addition.

Copper Mine Located.

C. C. Leavitt, Jr., has located the Copper Bell mine on a small branch of Holland creek in the southwest quarter of section 35-12-23.

Dray Business Mortgaged.

W. C. Glenn, drayman, has mortgaged to R. H. Taylor, horses and wagons, in his business, for $500 for one year.

TWO FELONY CHARGES BEFORE JUDGE BRIGGS

Wren and Leoni Each Held Under Large Bail for Assault With Knives—Best Pleads Not Guilty.

Alford Leoni, charged with felonious assault, consisting of striking Joe Morelli in the face with a knife after a quarrel over a small debt Friday morning, was arraigned before Judge Briggs in police court yesterday morning and entered a plea of not guilty. His bail was fixed in the sum of $1000 and his preliminary hearing will be held next Tuesday at 10 o'clock.

H. D. Wren, charged with committing a felonious assault upon H. O'Donnell, was held in default of $1000 bail at his arraignment. His preliminary hearing will be held Monday at 10 o'clock. It is very probable that he will plead self-defense.

Victor Best, accused of stealing a bicycle belonging to C. V. Helms, entered a plea of not guilty and was held in default of $200 bail. Charley Miller, who in a drunken frolic broke a plate glass window in the Gem barber shop Friday night, was fined $10 on a charge of disturbing the peace. Pat White, a drunk, was fined $5.

BILL TO CREATE VICE ADMIRALTY

Measure Will Raise Rank of Rear Admiral—Evans to Fit Dignity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senator Warner of Missouri today introduced a bill creating the rank of vice-admiral in the navy.

Should it become a law it will permit the promotion of Rear Admiral Evans to the proposed rank, but the measure is not intended to accomplish that alone, its purpose being to provide for a rank, that when the navy is represented abroad does not render it necessary for the commander to allow officers of other countries whose navies are of less importance to take precedence over him.

He Had His Way.

Yes, she was sorry when I spoke
And seemed to quite regret it.
She did not treat it as a joke
And tell me to forget it.
She shook her head in sad dissent
And said she would prefer
That I should try to be content
To be a friend to her.

With that I was not satisfied.
As then I promptly told her,
I said that were my suit denied
I'd nevermore behold her.
I said: "My way alone I'll wend,
If that's what I must do,
But I don't want to be your friend—
I want to marry you."

At that she yielded pretty soon.
Quite late that night I tarried
And just about the first of June
Succeeding we were married.
I often think of what I said,
My words I now recall.
I had my way when we were wed—
We are not friends at all.
—Chicago News.

Dog Blown up by Seidlitz Powder.

Because Mrs. Joseph Whiteworth taught her dog to carry packages, she has no dog tonight.

Mrs. Whiteworth's "Tinkey" was a brindle bull, which had won all kinds of blue ribbons, and was valued at $600.

Mrs. Whiteworth had a headache today, and went to the corner drug store for a seidlitz powder. The clerk did it up in a neat package, which "Tinkey" insisted upon carrying. Just outside the drug store "Tinkey" saw a cat. He forgot about the package, opened his mouth to grab the cat, and the seidlitz powder, paper and all, slipped down his throat.

It wasn't ten seconds before there was an explosion, and poor "Tinkey" is now a memory.

Kidney and Bladder

Troubles can be cured with K. B. R. A purely vegetable preparation. Only at Smith Bros.' drug store.

MEETING IN INTEREST OF SHIP SUBSIDIES

Value of Large Merchant Marine in Time of War Is Pointed Out.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 21.—For the purpose of arousing enthusiasm and bringing every possible pressure to bear upon congress in the interest of ship subsidy the friends of a government merchant marine gathered here today on the occasion of a meeting of the Merchant Marine league. Speeches were delivered by prominent senators and congressmen. Nearly every state and large business interest in the country, especially marine interests, were represented.

It is believed that the obtaining of the pending mail subsidy would establish the general subsidy principle, which eventually will result in the government giving support to marine interests.

Ex-Governor Herrick presided and Pruman H. Newberry, assistant secretary of the navy, spoke in favor of subsidies.

Referring to a report of Admiral Dewey in 1905, that on the basis of strength of twenty-five battleships the navy would require from the merchant marine in a serious war approximately one hundred vessels and many tugs. Newberry pointed out that the vessels, especially of the larger size, do not exist in sufficient numbers in the American merchant marine. The present cruise of the United States battleship fleet, the speaker said, is giving sharp and unwelcome proof of this point. All of the coal required by the fleet, except a small portion conveyed by regular navy colliers, had to be entrusted to foreign "tramp" steamers, because there were not enough American steamships available, even though President Roosevelt offered to pay American ships a rate of 50 per cent higher than that given to foreign vessels.

"Never," said Newberry, "has the need of an American merchant marine been so real. The deficiency in its relation to the navy cannot long continue without inviting calamity. Just as in the Nescent period of our government, the relation between the navy and the merchant marine should be one of interest, reliance and co-operation."

EMPEROR ADDRESSES THE LEGISLATORS

Francis Joseph Received With Great Eclat By the Viennese.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—Emperor Francis Joseph, whose life two months ago was despaired of, drove from the castle at Schoenburn to the Hofburg in Vienna this morning, and in the throne room of the Hofburg received the members of the Hungarian and Austrian delegations and read to them the speech from the throne.

This is the first time since his serious illness that the emperor has left Schoenburn, and the public seized the opportunity to show its delight at the recovery of the monarch. The entire route between the two palaces was decorated lavishly. The houses along the way were decked with flags and flowers and dense masses of people thronged the streets. The windows were crowded with ladies, who waved their handkerchiefs as the sovereign drove by, and throughout the half hour's drive the emperor was the recipient of a remarkable ovation. He was in an open carriage, and he showed practically no trace of his recent serious illness.

At the Hofburg the emperor alighted briskly from his carriage, Burgomaster Lueger and the members of the cabinet greeted the emperor at the entrance of the Hofburg. Leuger welcomed him and congratulated him on his recovery on the part of the city of Vienna. The emperor read the speech from the throne in a voice firm and clear. His first words referred to the peaceful development of international relations. "The smoothing down of certain points of difference in the international situation continues to progress in a gratifying manner," he said. "The efforts of all are being directed to further appeasement and consolidation for the general peace by fostering in every way possible of mutual confidence; they are adhering to the tried foundations of our policy, our relations with all the powers are very friendly and we will continue vigorously to direct our efforts toward the maintenance of present peaceful conditions."

The remainder of the speech was devoted to internal affairs.

Different Offices.

Fine feathers do not make fine birds,
Said one well versed in lore,
That may be true, but it depends
On what you want them for.
They may not be as good to eat
As some of duller wing,
But if you wish to trim a hat
You'll find them just the thing.

Canary birds that pump the air,
Chuck full of melody,
Have feathers fine as any one
Would care, indeed, to see;
And if you think they are not worth
As much as ducks or more,
Although not anywhere as large,
Go price them at the store.

The peacock is not good to eat,
For I have never heard
Of any one who made a meal
Of that high colored bird.
But when their feathers are at length
Clipped by the hired man
They make a present for a queen
When formed into a fan.

Fine feathers do not make fine birds,
The same is very true,
If all you want to use them for
Is fricassee or stew.
You may have scratching in the lot
A well intentioned hen,
But when it comes to fancy styles
You'll have to guess again.
—Nashville American.

Now is the Time

To take S. B. Lung Tonic for that cough before it is too late. Cures coughs, colds and hoarseness when all other remedies fail. Only at Smith Bros.' drug store.

Can you think of a better Xmas present for that boy or young man than a membership in the Y. M. C. A.?

Our coal keeps the house hot. Our competitor's coal keeps the customer hot. Main 299. Fresno Fuel company.

For quick deliveries, courteous treatment and the best of every kind of fuel, try Main 299. Fresno Fuel company.

The latest fad now is a luncheon or a dinner party at the Hughes cafe.

M'CARTHY STOPS WORK ON THE MILLS BUILDING

Trouble Is Result of Jurisdictional Dispute Between Two Unions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Four hundred union men employed in the reconstruction of the D. O. Mills building on Montgomery and Bush streets went on strike this morning. They were called off by P. H. McCarthy, president of the Building Trades Council of San Francisco, as a result of a disagreement between the steam fitters and the men installing the elevators. It was claimed by the steam fitters that certain pipe carrying steam and connected with the elevators should be connected up by them. The tie-up stops work amounting to over half a million dollars.

House wanted immediately; cost from $3000 to $4000. Apply
SHEPHERD-TEAGUE,
1011 J St.

Osteopathic Physician.
Dr. Minerva Key Chappell, 147 Forsyth Bldg.

Stockholders' Meeting

Notice is hereby given that an annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fresno Republican Publishing Co., will be held at the office of the company, Republican building, corner K and Tulare streets, Fresno, Cal., on Tuesday, January 7th, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
WILLIAM GLASS, Secretary.
Fresno, Cal., December 20th, 1907.

Notice of Assessment

The Commercial Petroleum Company, office and principal place of business, San Francisco, California. Location of works, Fresno county, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of said company, held on the 14th day of December, 1907, an assessment, No. 58, of One Dollar per share was levied upon the capital stock of said corporation, payable immediately to the secretary, Harry B. Gregg, at the office of the company, No. 268 Market street, San Francisco.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 20th day of January, 1908, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and, unless payment is made before, will be sold on Thursday, February 20th, 1908, at 12 o'clock noon, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.
HARRY B. GREGG,
Secretary Commercial Petroleum Company.
Dated December 18, 1907.

Assessment Notice No. 40.

Crescent Canal Company, a corporation
Location and principal place of business, Wheatville, Fresno County, Cal.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the board of directors held on the 9th day of December, 1907, an assessment of fifty dollars ($50.00) per share was levied upon the subscribed capital stock of the corporation payable on or before the 9th day of January, 1908, to the secretary at his office at Wheatville, Fresno County, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 9th day of January, 1908, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on the 9th day of February, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m., to pay the delinquent assessment together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.
C. C. Goodell, Secretary.

Notice to Contractors

Office of the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County, Fresno, Calif., December 10th, 1907.

Pursuant to an order of the Board of Supervisors duly made and entered on its minutes on December 13th, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County, at his office, until 3 o'clock p. m. of Tuesday, the 7th day of January, 1908, for grading, graveling and oiling, portions of Railroad avenue from the south line of the intersection of Jensen avenue to the intersection of Cherry avenue, in accordance with the plans and specifications heretofore adopted therefor and now on file in the office of the said board, to which bidders are hereby referred.

A certified check in the sum of ten per cent of the amount bid made payable to the chairman of the board must accompany each bid.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

All bids must be sealed and addressed to the clerk of the board and marked "Bid For Grading Railroad Avenue."
W. O. MILES,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Fresno County, California.
By A. D. Ewing, Deputy.

Notice of Time Appointed for Proving Will, Etc.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Ephraim Sonedecker, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Monday, the 30th day of December, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the court room of said court, department No. One at the court house in the City of Fresno, in said County of Fresno, has been appointed by the clerk of said court, as the time and place for proving the will of said Ephraim Sonedecker, deceased, and for hearing the application of Sarah A. Sonedecker, for the issuance to her of letters testamentary when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.
Dated December 16, 1907.
(Seal) W. O. MILES, Clerk.
By D. M. Barnwell, Deputy Clerk.
W. A. Conn, Attorney for Petitioner.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate At Public Auction

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California. No. 1025. Dept. 1.

In the matter of the estate and guardianship of Clara May Sloan, a minor.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, made on the 2nd day of December, 1907, in the matter of the estate and guardianship of Clara May Sloan, a minor, the undersigned, the guardian of the person and estate of said minor, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, gold coin of the United States, subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on Friday, the 27th day of December, 1907, at 12 o'clock m., at the front door of the county court house in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Clara May Sloan, a minor, and all the right, title and interest that said estate has by operation of law or otherwise acquired, in and to all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Fresno, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

An undivided one-sixth interest of the north one-half and the southwest one-fourth of the northeast one-fourth of section twenty, township sixteen south, range twenty east, Mount Diablo base and meridian.

Terms and conditions of sale: Cash, gold coin of the United States, ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, balance on confirmation of said sale by said Superior Court. Deed at expense of purchaser.
MARY E. SLOAN,
Guardian of the person and estate of Clara May Sloan, a minor.
Date of first publication, December 4, 1907.

WANTED—Miscellaneous

WANTED, $3000 on first class "REAL ESTATE" security.
H. R. SIMPSON & Co., 1005 J St.

WANTED—To rent 5 or 10 acres improved or partly improved with house and barn, 2 to 5 miles from city. Address A. B., box 57, Republican.

WANTED—To rent about 3 furnished housekeeping rooms near center of town. Address M., Box 44, Republican.

WANTED, 10 ACRE VINEYARD—Anyone having a first class 40 acre vineyard near town for sale will please communicate with us at once, as we have several customers for such a piece of property.
SAN JOAQUIN INVESTMENT CO. 1154 I St.

WANTED—To rent two to ten acres now or by February 1, with some alfalfa, shade, barn, house. Dell Marine, 2112 Kern. Main 2305.

WANTED—Family and single washing and ironing. Phone Main 1366. Work guaranteed.

WANTED—To haul your furniture, household goods, pianos and trunks. Fresno Transfer Co., W. C. Penn, prop., 1020 I St. Phone Main 597.

WANTED—Partner to finance chicken business on shares, partner will furnish labor, land and incubator, near town. Address Box 181, R. R. 7.

WANTED—Team of work horses five or six years old, gentle and sound and well broke. Address George B. Posson, R. R. No. 1. Tel. State 2244.

WANTED—To contract to plow ditch, grade or level land or put in vineyard or orchard. C. H. Hawn, pioneer land leveler of Fresno county, 1307 G St.

WANTED— To rent about 3 furnished housekeeping rooms near center of town. Address M., Box 44, Republican.

WANTED—4 or 5 room house or flat by a young couple. Address P. P., Box 13 Republican.

WANTED—To buy a twenty or forty acres improved. Address R. O., Box 38, Republican.

BRING your punctures to the money back repairers, 15c. Work absolutely guaranteed. Bakers' Cyclery, 2130 Tulare St., near new postoffice.

FOR HIRE—One hundred and fifty head of mules. Call up and ask for Maxon, phone Farmers 430, Selma.

WANTED—To trade 3 lots and one 5 room house on D St., between Kern and Inyo, for country property. 621 D St.

WANTED—To rent furnished house of about 8 rooms for the winter. George C. Roeding, 1225 J St.

WANTED—To take contract to make cutting of any kind vines. We furnish vines. Sam Weheshima, P. O. Box 604, Fresno.

WILL SELL elegantly furnished home situated on four corner lots. Fine lawn and shade. Owner will trade for forty acre vineyard or orchard. Terms. Address Owner, Box 55, Republican.

WANTED—Situations

WANTED—Situation by first class cook (colored). Phone Main 1688.

WANTED—Position by woman cook in camp or ranch for men or family. Room 64 Hughes Block, Tulare St.

CARPENTER wishes to figure on buildings. Plans drawn and furnished, reasonable. 223 Park Ave. Phone Main 2311.

IF YOUR roof leaks call Jacob Martin, the shingler. All work guaranteed or no charge. Main 1144. Residence 322 N Street.

WANTED—Carpenter work by the day or contract. Address H. S., Box 20, Republican or phone Main 690.

WANTED—A position as nurse or housekeeper for aged couple. Address Mrs. N. A. O'Halloran, East and Washington aves. R. R. No. 2. Box 71.

WANTED—Refined young woman would like position as housekeeper, widower preferred, or general housework in small family, no washing. Address M. A., Box 4, Republican.

WANTED—Position as steam engineer. Constructing and repairing. Address H. H. H., Box 15, Republican.

WANTED—Position as blacksmith; good workman. Address W. H. H., Box 14, Republican.

WANTED—Carpenter work or shingling. Repairing done. Town or country. Main 2344.

WANTED—Position in grocery store, experienced, references. Address G., Box 50, Republican.

WANTED—Carpenter work, city or county. Phone Main 1144. R. E. Moore.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Henry Schunemann, deceased.

It appearing to the Court from the petition this day presented and filed by George R. Andrews, the administrator of the estate of Henry Schunemann, deceased, that it is necessary to sell the whole of the real estate of said decedent to pay the expenses and charges of administration, and that it would be for the advantage, benefit and best interests of the estate and those interested therein to sell the whole of the real estate of said decedent;

It is therefore ordered by this Court that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased appear before the Superior Court on Monday, the 20th day of January, 1908, at the hour of two o'clock P. M., of said day, at the Court Room of Department No. 2 of said Court, at the Court House in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, to show cause why an order should not be granted to said administrator to sell so much of said real estate as shall be necessary and that a copy of this order be published four successive weeks in the Fresno Morning Republican, a newspaper printed and published in said County.
Dated: December 10th, 1907.
GEO. E. CHURCH,
Judge.
M. B. Harris and E. M. Harris,
Attorneys for Administrator.

Notice of Time Appointed for Proving Will, Etc.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Paulina Fincher, deceased, notice is hereby given that Monday, the 23d day of December, 1907, at 10 o'clock, A. M., of said day, at the Court Room of said Court, department No. 1, at the Court House, in the City of Fresno, in said County of Fresno, has been appointed, by the Clerk of said Court, as the time and place for proving the Will of said Paulina Fincher, deceased, and for hearing the application of Tillie Fincher and Geo. D. Wooten, for the issuance to them of letters testamentary when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.
Dated December 10, 1907.
[SEAL] W. O. MILES, Clerk,
By I. M. Miles, Deputy Clerk.

Notice to Creditors

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Charles J. Brown, deceased.

Dept. No. 2, Probate No. 2314.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Charles J. Brown, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within ten (10) months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Dottie A. Brown, at Rooms 7 to 9, in The Farmers' National Bank building in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate.
Fresno, California, December 3rd, 1907.
DOTTIE A. BROWN,
Administratrix.
Sutherland & Barbour, Attorneys for Administratrix.

OSTEOPATHY PHYSICIANS

DR. PARRETT, Osteopath, Room 300, over Bank of Central California. Phone Main 888. Res. 2497.

DR. P. V. AARONSON, 150 Forsyth Bldg. Phone Main 2722. Residence Main 2323.

DR. SARAH PUGH—Ladies' specialist, 151 Forsyth Bldg. Phone Main 488.

DR. MINERVA KEY CHAPPELL, 147 Forsyth Bldg. Phone Main 1340.

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FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

I. O. O. F.
CENTRAL CALIFORNIA LODGE NO. 343—Meets Thursday, 7:30 p. m., I. O. O. F. Hall.

I. O. O. F.
FRESNO LODGE NO. 186—Meets Monday, 7:30 p. m., I. O. O. F. Hall.

GEORGE A. CUSTER CIRCLE NO. 18—Ladies of the G. A. R. meets first and third Saturday afternoon of each month at 1:30 o'clock Risley hall on Fresno street. Addie L. Gross, president; Alzon Bomgardner, secretary.

ATLANTA POST, G. A. R.—Meets the first and third Saturdays at 2 p. m. of each month at Risley hall, Fresno street. All members in good standing invited. Levi Garrett, Com.; H. Y. Parker, Adjt.

Notice of Parole

Notice is hereby given that I shall apply to the State Board of Prison Directors at their next meeting at Folsom Cal., for a parole. CHRIS EVANS.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

TRAINS LEAVE FOR POINTS NORTH AS FOLLOWS

2:40 a. m.—No. 25, the Owl, for Tracy, San Francisco.
5:00 a. m.—No. 49, Southern Pacific, for Merced, Lathrop, Stockton, Sacramento.
12:05 p. m.—No. 5 Santa Fe, Merced, Stockton, Oakland and San Francisco.
10:10 a. m.—No. 83, Southern Pacific, for Stockton, San Francisco and way stations.
10:50 a. m.—No. 7. Santa Fe, Merced, Stockton, Oakland and San Francisco.
11.35 p. m.—No. 3, Santa Fe, Merced, Stockton, Oakland and San Francisco. Picks up Fresno sleeper.
12:30 p. m.—No. 7, Southern Pacific, Overland for Merced, San Francisco, Stockton, Sacramento; all points East and North.
8:40 a. m.—No. 245, Southern Pacific for Mendota, San Francisco and way points; connects for San Jose and coast points.

TRAINS LEAVE FOR POINTS SOUTH AS FOLLOWS:

3:35 a. m.—No. 8, Santa Fe Overland, Hanford, Bakersfield and all points East.
4:53 a. m.—No. 4, Santa Fe Cal. Limited Reedley, Visalia, Bakersfield and all points East.
8:00 a. m.—No. 24, Santa Fe, Hanford and Corcoran.
9:05 a. m.—No 13, Southern Pacific, for Visalia, Hanford, Coalinga, and Porterville.
10:40 a. m.—No. 82, Southern Pacific, (mixed) except Sunday, for Clovis and Pollasky.
3:25 p. m.—No. 84, Southern Pacific for Bakersfield.
3:55 p. m.—No. 6, Santa Fe, Hanford and Bakersfield.
3:40 p. m.—No. 26, Santa Fe, Reedley, Visalia and Tulare.
8:25 a. m.—No. 22, Santa Fe, for Reedley, Visalia and Tulare.
7:00 a. m.—No. 200, Southern Pacific, (mixed), except Sundays, for Sanger, Reedley and Porterville.
6:20 p. m.—No. 14 Southern Pacific, for Visalia, Sanger, Reedley and Dinuba.
6:25 p. m.—No. 8, Southern Pacific, for Los Angeles and all points East.
11:09 p. m.—No. 26, The Owl, for Bakersfield and Los Angeles and all points East.

TRAINS ARRIVE FROM POINTS NORTH AS FOLLOWS:

2:10 p. m.—No. 246, Southern Pacific, from Mendota and way points.
2:25 a. m.—No. 8, Santa Fe Overland, from San Francisco. Sets out Fresno sleeper.
3:35 p. m.—No 6, Santa Fe, from San Francisco and way stations.
4:45 a. m.—No. 4, Santa Fe Cal. Limited from San Francisco.
6:10 p. m.—No. 8, Southern Pacific, from San Francisco, Sacramento and coast.
10:10 p. m.—No. 50, Southern Pacific, from San Francisco and way stations.
11:04 p. m.—No. 26, The Owl, from San Francisco and way points, San Francisco, Stockton.
3:20 p. m.—No. 84, Southern Pacific, from San Francisco, San Jose, Sacramento, Stockton and way stations.

TRAINS ARRIVE FROM POINTS SOUTH AS FOLLOWS:

2:33 a. m.—No. 25, The Owl from Los Angeles and Bakersfield.
9:38 a. m.—No. 13, Southern Pacific, from Visalia, Sanger, Reedley, Dinuba and Porterville.
12:06 p. m.—No. 5, Santa Fe, from Bakersfield and Hanford.
10:00 a. m.—No. 83, Southern Pacific, from Bakersfield, Hanford and Visalia.
12:05 p. m.—No. 7, Southern Pacific, Overland, from Los Angeles, Bakersfield, Tulare and way stations.
10:40 a. m.—No. 7, Santa Fe Overland for East, Bakersfield, Visalia, Reedley
3:40 p. m.—No. 23, Santa Fe, from Tulare, Visalia and Reedley.
7:30 p. m.—No. 25, Santa Fe from Hanford.
7.17 p. m.—No. 11, Southern Pacific, from Porterville, Visalia, Hanford, Goshen and way stations.
11:25 p. m.—No. 3, Santa Fe Cal. Limited from East, Bakersfield, Visalia and Reedley
2:35 p. m.—No. 81, Southern Pacific (mixed), from Pollasky, Clovis.
4:30 p. m.—No. 201, Southern Pacific (mixed), from Porterville, Exeter, Reedley and Sanger.
11:50 a. m.—No. 27, Santa Fe, from Tulare, Visalia and Reedley.

FOR SALE—Real Estate

FOR SALE—In East Fresno five lots, house of five rooms, barn and out houses, all fenced; also fine property on Forthcamp. Will sell cheap for cash. Address Owner, Box 5, Republican.

PLENTY OF FINE LAND on White's Bridge road between Floyd Station and the Kearney ranch, at from $50 to $60 per acre; growing alfalfa in the same vicinity at $75 and $80 per acre that will pay for itself in two years. Good terms and long time on all the above. See Lowrey at
F. M. CHITTENDEN & CO.

ONE OF THE FINEST and best bearing vineyards in Temperance Colony. Will bear the fullest investigation. See Lowrey at
F. M. CHITTENDEN & CO.

—BUILDING LOTS—
On Ventura Ave. car line close to school, $55 and up. First class investment, close in; terms if desired.
40 ACRES in Scandinavian Colony; this is splendid place; full bearing and cheap at $12,000.
COME IN and look over our "snap" list and see if we have something to suit you.
H. H. ALEXANDER & CO., 1050 J St.

FOR SALE, $3500—
5 MILES OUT close to school; pasture, vines, trees and alfalfa, good house and barn; a good buy. $2000 down, balance easy.
40 ACRES, all improved, mostly vineyard best of buildings; income this year over $3000; only $9000, ½ cash.
20 ACRES 1½ mile from Fresno; it is A1 every way. See us for price.
40 ACRES alfalfa, good soil, close to Fresno, $120 per acre.
160 ACRES alfalfa, none better, good buildings, best fruit and vineyard soil, Church water.
1280 ACRES close to Dunkard Colony, $6.50 per acre, 1-3 down.
TWO OF THE best dairys with stock, very reasonable.
IT MAY PAY YOU to get our complete For Sale list.
CHRISTIANSEN AND HENRICKSEN, 1151 J Street.

FOR SALE — 20 acres all in vines 3½ miles northeast. This is a first class place and a bargain at the price.
HIGHLY IMPROVED 20 acre vineyard 3 miles east on easy terms.
40 ACRES choice raw land 6 miles from town, $75 per acre, on terms to suit.
NOW IS THE TIME to buy raw land. We have several hundred acres of first class land at Clovis that we are selling in subdivisions of 20 or more acres. For a limited time we will make some very attractive propositions regarding price, terms, etc. Call and see us.
SAN JOAQUIN INVESTMENT CO., 1154 I St.

FRESNO CREAMERY AND REALTY CO., 1112 J street.
20 acres No. 1 Muscat vineyard, 1 mile from city limits. $300 per acre.
20 acres 3½ miles out partly improved, $1500.
40 acres No. 1 vineyard 4 miles out, $275 per acre.
5 acres improved, 2½ miles out, $1000.
5 acres improved, 2 miles out, $800.
40 acres No. 1 land, Dunkard Colony, $900, ¼ cash.
20 acres No. 1 land, Dunkard Colony, $450, ¼ cash.
40 acres, Dairy with stock, $4500.
50 acres, Dairy with 50 cows; a bargain.
443 acres, Dairy, with 60 cows; a bargain.
9 houses in city; all bargains.
100 vacant lots; all bargains.

FOR SALE—Long term lease on fine section of land; 220 acres in alfalfa; 300 acres of grain land, good buildings, good water; place all fenced and cross fenced, and is splendidly adapted for dairying or stock raising. Live stock, implements and tools for sale with lease. Jacob Clark, 306 Land Co. Bldg.

FOR SALE—4 nice, well located cottages; also some choice lots. Jacob Clark, 306 Land Co. Bldg.

FOR SALE—40 acres vineyard only two miles from Fresno city; has fair buildings, trays and boxes. Jacob Clark, 306 Land Co. Bldg.

SELMA LAND CO.
40 ACRES—One and one half miles from town. 16 acres Muscat vines, full bearing, 2 acres Muscat vines one year old, 8 acres Malaga vines full bearing. 8 acres peaches and apricots, two, three and five years old, 5 acres alfalfa, small house, good barn, team and farming implements. Vineyard produced $4200 crop this year.
20 ACRES—2 miles from Selma. All in peaches four years old, 10 acres Muirs, 5 acres Lovells and 5 acres Elberta. This is a nice clean piece of property, free from all noxious weeds and grasses.
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ONE ACRE LOTS for sale on Belmont avenue, adjoining the city on the east. Fine location. Terms to suit. Price $375 each. Annual payments. 8 town lots in one acre.
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FOR SALE—Real Estate

FOR SALE—1035 acres of black loam land adjoining town site of Whittier, seven miles from county seat. Income on this land this year was eleven thousand dollars. This land is good for colonizing. Improvements cost $4000. Stream of water running through the ranch. Will sell for $25 per acre and take $5000 in trade for other property. This is good fruit land as well as grain land. Direct Box 140, Le Grand, Cal.

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UNUSUAL BARGAIN
Forty acres, raisins, Emperors, Tokays, etc., this is a rare bargain, if sold before January 1; price $8000. This is property that would sell for $12,000 next fall; ¼ cash, balance can be paid from the income. Investigate.
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150 ACRES of creek bottom and hill land with perpetual water right, very choice for oranges or lemons; house and barn, small family orchard and vineyard, fenced and cross fenced, 1 mile from school. Price $40 per acre. L. Heilbron Co., 1217 J St.

FOR SALE—Good unimproved land, well located. Price $35 to $87.50 per acre. Improved land 20 acre tracts, 40 and 60 80 acre tracts. City property houses and lots. McAfee & Swindall, 929 J St. Phone Main 738.

First class rich, deep sandy loam soil,
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Near railroad station,
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A GOOD 6 room house north part of town, close in, at a bargain.
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STOCK OF general merchandise and store buildings in a good live town, will trade for ranch property.
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HEADQUARTERS for raw land in large or small tracts, all over Fresno county, adapted for oranges, vineyards, alfalfa and orchards. Long payments, low interest.

WAVERLEY TRACT on Centerville and McCall roads. heavy red soil for trees and vines. $70 and $80 per acre, on 6 years time; close to railroad and schools. In subdivisions of 20 acres and up. See us before buying elsewhere.
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Ten acres, unimproved; soil and surroundings the very best; this is one of the greatest bargains on the market today; let me show you this week; ¼ cash; low interest. This means a chance for you to make money.
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$375 BUYS 5 ACRES, 1-3 CASH
20 ACRES trees and alfalfa, with good water rights, $1600, terms.
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DO YOU WANT an ideal home located in a thriving little town 3 blocks from graded school and church, fronting on main business street?
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FOR SALE—240 acres of A No 1 land, 2 miles northeast of Clovis; from 20 acres up; easy terms. Inquire of Charles Michel, Clovis.

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LOOK at this tract of beautiful, level land, best of water rights, only 2½ miles from Fresno. Sold in 5's, 10's, 20's and 40's. Easy payments. Buy near town; when improved will sell for $350 per acre.
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60 ACRES—Unimproved, fine sandy loam at $30 per acre.

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$1500 each—3 new cottages on corner of McKenzie and Diana; 5 rooms, bath, toilet, electric light, gas to street, $500 down.
$1000, No. 460—Froelich, 5 room cottage, bath and electric light, $300 down.
ABOVE HOUSES all owned by this company, no commission to pay.
$6250, 40 acres—15 acres Zinfandels, 4 to 5 years, 12 acres alfalfa, 13 acres grain land, all level; 4 room house, barn, white ash soil, no alkali, no hardpan. $2500 down, $125 yearly for three years, then $500 yearly on balance. Income this year $2000. A good thing.
$13,000—Biggest bargain you know of, 60 acres, 16 acres Thompson's 5 years, 10 acres Muscats 5 years, 12 acres Muscats 4 years, 11 acres Zinfandels, 5 years old, 1 acre Malaga 5 years old, 2½ acres figs 4 years. 4½ acres peaches 4 years. 2½ acres alfalfa; a fine modern 9 room house, bath toilet, hot and cold water, windmill, tank, large barn, bunk house, trays and boxes, fine soil; a splendid home and a bargain; easy terms; don't miss this opportunity.
HOUSES AND LOTS of all kinds for sale at low prices; small payments and easy terms; come and see us.
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—FOR SALE BY OWNER—
$1200—Modern cottage, new and first class. Cash $500, balance 7 years, equal payments.
$1500—Modern cottage, one block from car line; nice shade; orange trees in full bearing; everything first class; beautiful home. Cash $400, balance 7 years, equal payments.
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Twenty or 40 acres, 2½ miles from Fresno, rich, red loam; level as the pavement, and carries first class water rights. This is suburban and will produce with the best land in the valley. Money will double in two years without a dollar expended. One-quarter cash, balance long time, low interest. Will sell this week.
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—ORANGE LANDS—
Our "Strathmore" orange and grape land near Lindsay is the choicest in the district. From $85 to $100 per acre. Sold on 6 years' time. Soil, location cannot be beat. Abundant water.
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$1250 WILL BUY a house of six rooms; 60 foot frontage on easy terms. Will take driving horse or cow on place. Call 1960 U St.

ABOUT 16 acres vineyard one mile from city limits on Fig Ave. by school house Call on owners, 319 I St.

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AN IDEAL HOME place of 20 acres highly improved to vines and trees; 2 miles north of Clovis; $5000 on terms.
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FINE unimproved lands under irrigation no alkali, no hardpan; richest soil in 20 and 40 acre tracts; $40 to $50 an acre on long terms.
90 ACRES with annual production from $10,000 to $12,000 per annum.
NOTE—We can place your money at 8 per cent net on 1st mortgages three to one security. See us and let your idle capital be earning something.
WE HAVE a list of 20 houses, any part of Fresno; new and modern, some in course of construction, from $600 up. Also fine building lots everywhere. Terms.
600 ACRES 20 miles from Fresno on river, $12 per acre; will exchange for improved city property, or will rent on shares. Terms.
WANT TO SELL or exchange your ranch or business? List with us, we find buyers. Land for sale from $3.50 per acre up within 20 miles of Fresno.
PRODUCERS' REALTY CO., 1038 H St., opp. Chamber of Commerce.

DRESSMAKING

WANTED — Dressmaking by the day; satisfaction guaranteed; city reference, 1753 K. Phone 1648.

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GO TO the "Sunset" livery for good rigs. Mendota.

FOR RENT—Houses

FOR RENT—New brick house, $19 per month. Inquire corner West and Belmont Aves.

FOR RENT—A new modern brick house of seven rooms at 3036 Washington St. Phone Main 2685.

FOR RENT—Rooms

FOR RENT—3 housekeeping rooms, pretty cottage on car line 3322 Inyo St.

FOR RENT — Furnished housekeeping rooms, running water, newly renovated. 1st floor, 658 H St.

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FOR RENT—One furnished front room at 2747 Mariposa, near Santa Fe.

FOR RENT— Warm sunny furnished housekeeping rooms, with gas range. 625 K.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms at The Ramona. 2031 Fresno St.

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NICELY furnished rooms, day, week or month. Griffith House, 1135 J. Phone Main 590. Mrs. Stella Clifford, prop.

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FOR RENT—Miscellaneous

FOR RENT—Large barn, 1827 El Dorado Call Main 1222.

FOR RENT—320 acres of land, west ½ of Section 29, adjoining Chicago. Inquire L. Popovich, 1022 I St.

FOR RENT—1000 acres of grain land 2½ miles north of Sanger, large barn and good roomy house, plenty of water; main ditches running through the land, cash or on shares. Address St. George Vineyard, Maltermoro, Cal.

FOR RENT—Knights of Pythias hall, Friday and Saturday nights. Apply Donahoo-Emmons & Co.

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NICELY FURNISHED rooms with board, also table board. Apply 938 O St.

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FOR SALE—Twenty Jersey cows, cheap. Address 2311 H St., Sacramento, Cal.

FOR SALE—A No. 1 fresh cow, calf 2 days old. State 2476.

FOR SALE—Best big work horse in Fresno, weight 1400 lbs., cheap, also set of almost new work harness. Apply Dr. Edward's veterinary hospital, 808 J St.

FOR SALE—No. 1 fresh Jersey cow, 2522 Ventura Ave.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Good cow, 541 E St.

FOR SALE—One hundred head of mules on good approved paper. Call up Selma Farmers 439, ask for Maxon.

FOR SALE—11 head of 3 year old mules coming 4. 6 broke, 10 2 year olds coming 3, all good blocky mules, also some good horses. Inquire of Lindley Bros., Palo Alto Stables, cor. of H and Merced.

FOR SALE—Gentle bay saddle horse 15 hands high. Inquire at Dexter Stable.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Six head of mules with harness, Address E. S. Boot, Del Rey.

FOR SALE—6 span of No. 1 5-year-old mules; broke, gentle, kind; will weigh from 1200 to 1400 pounds. Crescent Stables. J. H. Kelly, Main 492.

FOR SALE—One fresh cow. Z. Burns, near Craycroft on R. R. ave.

FOR SALE—10 mules 2 and 3 years old, also a few driving and work horses. Inquire of C. W. Hart, Farmersville, Tulare County, California.

ESTRAYED

ESTRAYED—2 mules from Lone Star black and red. Notify M. Palantzian, R. R. 6, Box 55.

ESTRAYED—From Section 28 or 29-14-18, 3 miles south of Kerman about November 27, 40 head of cattle branded OO on right hips and 2 holes in left ear. Finder please notify W. H. McGillivray, R. R. No. 1, Fresno.

ESTRAYED—Brown filly, unbroken. O. E. Kunde, phone Main 2767.

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ESTRAYED OR STOLEN—From Belmont ranch, 2 black horses. Phone State 755 or Box 731, Fresno.

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TAKEN UP—Red cow, blazed face, white feet. Call at 250 Railroad Ave.

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MISS CLARA PETTITT, teacher of piano. Studio 1430 K St. Phone Main 2772.

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC, 1104 O St.; instructions on piano and theory; winter term begins Monday, December 2nd.

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WANTED—Woman to do housework, a middle aged woman preferred. Apply at 265 Calaveras Ave.

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WANTED — E. Gottschalk & Co. are looking for saleswomen for the following departments: Candy, toys, wrapping and fancy goods counters; good salary paid. Apply at once.

WANTED—Women to solicit for a good house, $65 per month. Call on general agent, F. S. Vons, at Commercial hotel parlor. Small deposit.

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WANTED—Ladies to canvass, good money to the right parties. Inquire at 228 Jensen ave.

WANTED—A middle aged lady partner in lodging house, business, no capital required, no children; references required and given; object matrimony. Address F., Box 5, Republican.

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FOR SALE—Furniture at bargain; many high class articles in first class shape. Owner leaving city. Call after Sunday at 532 Neilsen Ave.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Work horse, $65; also 10 ton loose barley hay. C. R. Cutten, 321 Abby St.

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FOR SALE CHEAP—An organ. 425 G street.

FOR SALE—Alfalfa hay, first cutting, $4 in stack, $5 delivered. Call Main 1222

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred spitz pups at 116 Yosemite Ave.

FOR SALE—Resistant stock, 20,000 rootings, Riparia Glaireде, Montpelier, Forth Vineyard Co., R. R. No. 1.

FOR SALE—Good stove wood and Xmas trees, 4 miles out on Tulare Ave. ½ mile east of Easterby school house.

FOR SALE—Christmas trees, 751 J St. They will be here Saturday.

FOR SALE—Pickled olives, 50c per gallon. Phone State 2033.

FOR SALE—Pumpkins at E. Ketchebackian ranch, 4½ miles on White's Bridge road, cheap.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred white Wyandotte cockerels, Mrs. L. J. Bollinger Fresno.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Refrigerator as good as new. 245 M St.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Good second hand buggy. Apply 925 M St.

FOR SALE—Light alfalfa seed, 8½ cents per lb. at Glenn Park Stock Farm. R. F. D. No. 1, Fresno or phone Sub. 2021.

FOR SALE—In West Park, square Chickering piano, very reasonable. Address Miss A. A. Dore, 1811 Stuart St., Berkeley, Cal.

FOR SALE—Big barn, $150. 1248 Tulare St.

FOR SALE—300,000 muscat, malaga, zinfandel, granache, Thompson rooted vines. Apply to C. Victor Peterson, 1 mile south of Fowler, Phone 811.

FOR SALE—A No. 1 Muscat rootings. True to name, good stock. Apply F. W Pinniger, R. R. 1, Box 72, Sanger.

FOR SALE—Figs suitable for feed. T. J. Hammond.

FOR SALE—Baled alfalfa hay cheap. J. E. Chriskian, 10½ west on California Ave.

FOR SALE—300,000 one-year old rooted grape vines. Thompson Seedless, Malaga, Emperor and Muscat. Inquire Kearney Vineyard Co., Kearney Park, Cal.

FOR SALE—Second-hand 4-horse Fresno scrapers, cheap. Inquire Kearney Vineyard Co. Kearney Park, Cal.

FOR SALE—Five-acre tracts, in peaches, near graded school. Address Geo. Anderson, R. R. No. 7, Bx 47, Fresno.

FOR SALE—Stove wood, $6.50 a cord at Glennpark stock farm, 6 miles east of Fresno on Ventura ave. Phone Sub. 2021.

FOR SALE—100 tons of baled barley hay in quantities to suit. C. C. Simpson, one mile due west of Lone Star, or see H. R. Simpson & Co., 1005 J St.

FOR SALE—Warm meals at all hours, at the Acme Restaurant, 1057 I St., F. M. Shuck, prop.

FOR SALE—Hay in stack or delivered by load. Tel State 2453.

FOR SALE—Oldsmobile runabout, $150. Maxwell & Mudge Studio, cor. J and Fresno Sts.

WANTED—To sell or trade Oldsmobile runabout, Maxwell & Mudge Studio, cor. J and Fresno Sts.

APRICOT PITS for fuel, 124 Jensen, Main 1608 or Long's transfer, Main 1459, Palm Garden cigar store.

FOR SALE—All kinds of loose and baled hay and baling wire at Fresno City Hay Market, 1222 H St. E. Schmitz, prop.

FOR SALE—2000 tons of good stock hay with water and fine range. Apply to Kearney Vineyard Co., Kearney Park.

FOR SALE—Baled barley hay, $9.00 per ton. Main 115.

FOR SALE—Oak wood. 500 cords dry oak wood, Kings river bottom, in quantities to suit. Apply G. H. Hopkins on Dorsey-Robinson Co. ranch or Dorsey-Robinson Co., Fresno.

LOST

LOST—Sunburst pin; ruby in center surrounded by pearls. Finder please leave at the Republican office or phone Suburban 2451.

LOST—On Tulare St. between Nisleton Cyclery and San Joaquin Power Co.'s office Saturday at 1 p. m. a gold watch fob. Finder please return to Y. M. C. A. Bldg. Reward.

LOST—Fountain pen with gold band, between H. H. Alexander real estate firm and postoffice. Return to 2716 Merced St. Reward.

$10 REWARD for return of silver chatelaine purse, lost December 16th. J. W. Warger, 3112 Tulare.

LOST OR STOLEN—Tuesday a black cocker spaniel pup. Notify Main 2564.

LOST—A red Pierce bicycle with coaster brake, No. 129,918. Finder leave at 1115 K and receive $5. Main 567.

LOST—A mink stole. Finder return to 2… Stanislaus and receive reward.

FOUND

FOUND—Money, owner write description and denomination to Mrs. A. L. Gross, Box 401, Fresno, and pay for ad.

FOUND—A sack of alfalfa seed. Owner call Dave Puttel, 404 South F St. and pay for ad.

HELP WANTED—Male

HUSTLING MEN WANTED—Distribute samples and circulars. No canvassing, steady. Globe Adv. & Dist. Ass'n, Chicago.

DISTRIBUTORS WANTED everywhere, $25 to $30 made weekly, distributing circulars, samples, overseeing advertising. No canvassing. Steady. Address Reliance Adv. Bureau, Chicago.

AGENTS for Kerosene, incandescent, mantle lamps. Twelve times cheaper than gas, seven times cheaper than ordinary kerosene lamp. Coonsga Continental Co., 335 Broadway, New York.

AGENTS—Make $6.00 a day. Seven fast sellers. Big new illustrated catalogue free. Allen's Mfg. Co., 459 13th Ave., San Francisco, Cal.

WANTED — Cash boys. Apply at once, Gottschalk's.

WANTED—A sober young man for porter work, must have experience, $45 per month. Address Moon Saloon, Hanford

MEN TO LEARN barber trade; wages while learning, constant practice, expert instructions; positions secured; catalogue free. Moler System College, 6, Eleventh St., San Francisco.

WANTED at once first class shoemaker. Address S. M., Box 45 Republican.

WANTED—Boy to do general work in store. Apply 936 J St. E. P. Charlton & Co.

WANTED—Men to solicit for a good house, $65 per month. Call on general agent, F. S. Vons, at Commercial hotel parlor. Small deposit.

WANTED—Competent experienced foreman for raisin vineyard. Apply R. F., Box 7, Republican Office.

BONNEY'S EMPLOYMENT OFFICE, Best help furnished, 1221½ I St. Phone Main 876.

WANTED—8 good plow mules. Long job plowing. Kearney Vineyard Co. Kearney Park, Cal.

MEN to learn electricity, plumbing, plastering, bricklaying, all kinds of drafting and plan reading; day and night; no books; positions secured. Free catalog. Coyne Trade School, 230-240 Eighth St., San Francisco.

PEOPLE'S EMPLOYMENT Office— Reliable help furnished. 1303 I street. Phone Main 2660.

JAPANESE HELP; Labor contracting, Furukawa Bros., 1545 Kern St. Phone Main 716.

JAPANESE HELP—K. Tomita, general labor contractor. Address 819 G St. Phone China 171.

JAPANESE HELP—Labor contracting, Kamakawa Bros., G and Kern Sts. Tel. Main 88.

QUONG MOW LUNG—Billy Joe, manager. Chinese labor furnished, 1033 G, China 11.

STONE'S EMPLOYMENT OFFICE — Best help furnished. 1059 I St. Phone Main 115.

HEALD'S BUSINESS COLLEGE, cor. J and Merced Sts., offers superior advantages to night students in bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting and preparatory branches.

BUSINESS CARDS

D. GIRTZ, photographer, pictures taken everywhere at any time. Corner Cedar and South Aves., Oleander.

CARPETS, machine cleaned, 3 cents yard. Snow the carpet man. Main 663.

BUY YOUR furniture from the Valley Furniture Co., formerly Auction Price Furniture Co.
WE UNDERSELL them all, 1125 K St.

$500 REWARD
Leading to the whereabouts of a young couple. They were very modest in appearance and dressed in the pink of fashion. The gentleman wore a tailor made suit and the lady dressed in the latest style. When last seen they were going down Mariposa St., looking for that new swell, elegant hack just placed on my line. Phone Main 311 J. H. Kelly.

CARPETS—Fresno Steam Carpet Cleaning and Renovating Works take up, clean and relay carpets. Phone Main 355 Wm. M. Story.

CONTRACTORS WANTED—To construct ditch at 10c per cubic yard. B. F. Earl, 912 Pacific Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.

BONNEY'S LATH FENCE made to order. Best fence on the market, 1221½ I St. Phone Main 876.

L. W. WRIGHT, carpet weaver, moved from O St. to 336 Park Ave.

$5 HATS FOR $3.50, and $7.50 for $5. Extra good values. Lida Briscoe, 911 J St.

EUREKA CLEANING AND DYE WORKS—Give us a trial 914 M. Phone Main 555.

NATIONAL TAILOR, expert cleaner and presser. Ladies' work a specialty. Over National theater. Phone Main 573.

FRESNO MILLINERY, 950 I St. Felt Hats $1, $1.25 and $1.50, all colors. Genuine sale of trimmed hats, everything marked down.

FASHION STABLES, 1134 H street, new line of livery. Boarders solicited. Phone Main 203. W. D. Cobb.

MARTIN & STORY, real estate, suite 15 over postoffice, representatives for Manhattan Security Co., 20 Broad St., New York, and the Haynes Copper Co. Los Angeles.

BON BONNIERE Candy store for fine ice cream and ices; 1022 I St.

SAND, GRAVEL, contracting, housemoving, teams, Thomas Williams, Main 115 or 1368.

FOR CLEANING, repairing and renovating call French Dye Works, 938 J St. Main 471.

NEW YORK SHOEING SHOP, first class horseshoeing. Crawford and Welborn, props. 1133 H. Main 1259.

PACIFIC TENT & AWNING CO. does the biggest canvas business in the valley. 1321 Kern St.

K. IGUCHI, Japanese watchmaker and jeweler, repairing. 913 China Alley, China 292.

JAPANESE STORE—All kinds of Japanese goods. 2019 Mariposa. Wago & Co.

AMERICAN RESTAURANT — Everything first class, best meals in Fresno for 15c and up. American trade especially solicited; opened on Feb. 1st. K. Senda, 1310 Tulare St.

FRESNO TENT AND AWNING CO., 1912 and 1914 Fresno. Phone Main 663.

EMPIRE STABLES—Livery and transients, cor. J and Inyo Phone Main 67.

MONO FEED AND LIVERY STABLES —First class livery rigs at reasonable rates. Main 975. C. E. White.

BEST JAPANESE noodles in Fresno, U. Shintaku, 206 China Alley.

K. IWASAKI, Japanese laundry, first class work neatly done. 1403 Kern St. Phone China 631.

JAPANESE NOODLES, the best in Fresno Y. Kato, 934 China Alley.

ROYAL CAFE—1835 Mariposa Street. Excellent 25c meals. Phone main 540.

FEED YARDS

MAIN 346—Arcade Stables, 523 I St. W. O. White, prop. Best boarding and transient stable in town. Horses bought, sold and exchanged. Colts broken to ride and drive. First class livery rigs Open all night.

PASTURAGE

PASTURE FOR HORSES. Good alfalfa feed, lots of water and good fences. Hay fed in field to stock. Call Main 1222.

HOLIDAYS FAIL TO HURT REAL ESTATE BUSINESS

Usual Quietness Not Found—Clearing up of Finances Has Very Stimulating Effect.

In spite of the fact that the holiday season usually sees a quiet time in the real estate business generally, the clearing up of the financial situation to a great extent has apparently had the effect this year of stimulating trade, so that business now is better than it has been for a good time past. For the first time in months, large transactions are being reported again, while some firms report a record-breaking business from the standpoint of the number of buyers. The close of the legal holidays is expected to make an appreciable difference by the first of the year. Another factor which is expected to make business very good after that time is the fact that so many people who have had the intention of investing in lands right along have been inclined to hold off this long, on account of money conditions, and have now fixed the first as an objective point, after which they will begin active buying again.

Disposition to Invest.

Shepherd and Teague report a marked disposition, which is growing, for people of small means to invest their money in real estate. The growing disposition in this line is in fact making a great number of small sales.

This firm reports that it has sold since last Saturday several 40 acre and 20 acre tracts, and a number of smaller pieces, all raw land in the vicinity of Clovis. It has been, they stated, the best week this fall for the real estate business, so far as they were concerned, in that they have done business with so many people. "We have two or three big deals pending," said B. F. Shepherd. "There are also six or eight families here from the East, comprising about twenty-five persons. They were sent out from eastern offices. We will try to settle them near here in the near future. We are also getting a number of letters from the East right along.

Town Property Selling.

"We have sold some town property this week, for homes. The demand is good for this grade of property. It is almost impossible to rent houses here now. The scarcity of property to rent has had the effect of stimulating a demand for property on which to build homes in this city.

"Business may be found quiet after Christmas until New Years, after which we look for a very good business. We expect, however, to keep busy right along.

"People are now looking for a chance to put money into land. They are investing all that is possible in this way. Recently, we sold 300 acres to some Portuguese and Italians, who came through with the cash, which they had evidently been keeping in tomato cans and sock feet. But they put it into lands, all right. We are having a greater number of inquiries from the East. Some of them look forward to the end of the holidays as the time to do business, as that we look for some big sales after the first. We are in communication with a number of people in Los Angeles, who we expect here in the near future. There is a good demand for orange lands, so that there seems a movement from Porterville north, rather than in the other direction, as was the case six months ago."

The Legal Holidays.

H. H. Alexander, of the H. H. Alexander Company, is of the opinion that the closing of the holidays will have a stimulating effect on business, though the effects may not appear until a week or two from this time. He says: "We have had a very good business this week, in spite of the nearness of the holidays. The demand in the last ten days has been stronger than for months previously. We expect a much better business after the first of the year."

Where it is Quiet.

Among many of the small firms, particularly those who do their business with local people in a good measure, and less with Eastern people than other firms, business is reported as rather quiet, as it is said to be generally at the holiday season. They all express the greatest hope for good conditions in January, with the demand shifting gradually from raw to improved lands. It is not yet late enough in the year to see this tendency, however, as it is still very practicable to improve raw tracts for the coming season, and will be for a while yet. So, the demand continues to be for raw lands.

Interest in Orange Lands.

Interest in orange lands is decidedly on the increase. In this connection, Haber Brothers will open a new tract in the orange district at the first of the year, so as to be able to furnish something to the growing demand for this class of land. While the interest in this industry in Fresno county is declared by those best acquainted with the business to be in its incipiency yet, people from this state and others are wanting to buy orange lands right along.

A Large Sale.

The largest sale which has been reported for some time is being consummated now by the Fresno Irrigated Farms Company. They report a section and a half selling to a company of four of the leading business men of Fresno, which land will be devoted to Thompson Seedless and Malaga grapes. The piece of land is in the Kerman district. They report forty-four houses in erection on the Kerman tract now, and thirty new families which intend to build on raw lands there by the first of February.

This farm also seems to:,2&—g.caG This firm also seems of the opinion that there will be a very active demand for raw lands for some time to come, even in January, when improved property should be selling well.

COMING TO NOVELTY "A MOTHER'S LOVE" IS

Family Play House Will Present French Play During Christmas Week.

In selecting "A Mother's Love" for the attraction at the Novelty for Christmas week, Manager Hotchkiss is giving his patrons a high class bill of the better type, one which has intense heart interest, and brings the audience to the verge of tears, at other times provoking the heartiest laughter. The play is neat and refined, far away from the trashy melodrama, and permits elegant and elaborate dressing. The story deals with the purest, dearest and strongest emotion known to humankind, a mother's love. The scenes are laid in France. Madame Dubois, the mother, while only 16 years of age, is betrayed by her own innocence, by one Monsieur Montjoie. A son is born to her, and Montjoie, after squandering his fortune upon the girl, who then becomes known by the name of Felicia, deserts her, and she is left alone with the infant son. She determines to atone for her mistake, and teaches her boy to call her aunt, smothering her mother's love, for the sake of the boy. At the death of her father, she is left a fortune, with which she endows her son, then become Captain Louis of the French army. Like al young men, he has fallen in love with the beautiful daughter of an old French family, who value honor and family name above money. Montjoie and Felicia meet at a party given in honor of Captain Louis and Annette's engagement. Montjoie is also in love with Annetie, and threatens to expose Captain Louis' parentage. Felicia pleads for her boy with al the fervor of a mother's love, and at last touches the nobler qualities of Montjoie, and all ends happily. Some new faces will be seen in the stock company next week, notably Leo C. Bell and John Grandin, who come direct from Walter Sanford's players from San Francisco. Also Charles Caulkins, an old Fresno favorite, will appear in the leading male role. This will greatly strengthen the company and assures the public of a smooth, capable and pleasing performance. "Little Miss Robinson Crusoe" will close today with a matinee and evening performance.

TAFT'S FRIENDS RUSH OHIO CONVENTION

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 21.—The call for a meeting January 2nd of the Republican state committee to arrange for the state committee preliminaries was issued today.

The date is four days earlier than at first proposed and indicates a disposition on the part of the friends of Secretary Taft, who are easily in control of the state committee to rush things a little. The quick call for the committee meeting is believed to portend a state convention early in February.

OFFICIALS ARRESTED ON FRAUD CHARGE

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 21.—O. C. Dallas, chief clerk, and J. D. McLeod, at the head of the survey department in the office of the United States surveyor general in this city, were arrested today as the result of indictments returned yesterday by the federal grand jury. Dallas and McLeod are charged with forgery and conspiracy to defraud the government of the United States.

STRONG SPEAKER AT Y. M. C. A. TODAY

Dwight E. Potter of Oakland Will Talk.

Will Address Men's Afternoon Meeting—Good Music Is Promised.

Dwight E. Potter of Oakland who speaks at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon.

Dwight E. Potter of Oakland will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, at half past 3 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Potter is a very strong speaker, who is well known in religious work. The opportunity offered to hear a first class talk is rather unusual, and it is hoped that the men of this city will realize this and take advantage of it. Mr. Potter is to speak at the First Presbyterian Church in the forenoon, and it is considered a matter of congratulation for the Y. M. C. A. that he has been secured for the afternoon meeting.

Interest in these meetings is exceedingly active, due in part, no doubt, to the policy which the Y. M. C. A. has pursued of getting first class speakers to address them.

Music this afternoon will be under the direction of Prof. A. G. Wahlberg. Some very good numbers are expected, while the general singing promises to be good.

SHOT WHILE ROBBING MARKET STREET FIRM

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—John S. Ball, a street car conductor, was arrested early this morning and charged with robbing the gun store of the Shreve & Barker company on Market street. He was discovered in the place by Night Watchman Carr, who shot him through the shoulder. He then fled, but was captured after a hard chase by two policemen. He had two accomplices, whose names are being suppressed until their arrest is affected.

INSANE FARMER KILLS WIFE AND DAUGHTER

CAMERON, Mo., Dec. 21.—Albert Filley, a farmer living southeast of here, killed his wife and daughter and his brother by shooting them this morning. Filley is supposed to be insane. Officers have gone to arrest him.

The dead are Mrs. Filley, their seven year old daughter and Filley's brother, Clay Filley. Clay Filley's wife also was attacked by the murderer, but managed to escape from the house and give the alarm.

When J. L. Smith, the marshal of Cameron, arrived at the Filley house, he found the murderer seated in the room where the bodies of his victims lay. Filley submitted to arest and was held, awaiting the arrival of the sheriff.

Filley had killed his wife with a hammer while she lay ill from the effects of wounds made by Filley ten days ago, when he had previously made an attempt to kill her. It is supposed that after killing his wife, Filley murdered his daughter, whom he shot. Young Filley was also shot, while the latter's wife was attacked with a hammer.

Albert Filley is about 35 years of age. He is believed to be insane as the result of suffering from a felon. The Filleys are well known.

MILK DEALERS INDICTED ON A TRUST CHARGE

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The grand jury today returned indictments against fifteen members of the Illinois Milk Dealers' association, charging conspiracy to raise the price of milk. The indictments are the result of the investigation begun by State's Attorney Healy.

Among those indicted are William J. Rogers, president of the Borden Condensed Milk company, the Borden company, J. R. Bowman, president of the Bowman Dairy company, George I. Chappell of the Kee and Chappell company, The Ira J. Mix Dairy Co., and Ira J. Mix, William B. Wanzer, Howard H. Wanzer, Edward F. Newton and Thomas F. Yore, local dairymen.

The Borden company is a New York corporation and is capitalized at $35,000,000. All the men indicted waived immunity before they testified and appeared as voluntary witnesses. The offense charged is punishable by a fine of $2000 ro imprisonment in the penitentiary from one to five years, or both.

YOUTH BADLY SHOT IN A GUN STORE

SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 21—Frank Favoe of Urbita was shot in the stomach today by the accidental discharge of a shotgun which was being shown him by Thomas Hadden of the San Bernardino Hardware company, where he had called to rent a gun. The gun had been returned to the store but a short time before by another man, who unknown to Hadden, had carelessly left a shell in the weapon. The shot tore away a large portion of his stomach but surgeons believe the youth will recover.

WARSHIP TAKES SIDE TRIP TO PORTO RICO

SAN JUAN, P. I., Dec. 21. — The battleship Missouri, detached from the fleet arrived off this port today and signalled Commandant Rohrer of the naval station "The compliments of the season to friends ashore." The battleship then landed Benjamin Northway, a fireman, who is ill with peritonitis. He was taken to the naval hospital, after which the battleship rejoined the fleet. It is reported that the battleship Illinois has landed two sailors at the naval station on Culebra Island.

SPECULATORS WANT TROOPS AT GOLDFIELD

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—The Los Angeles-Nevada stock exchange today sent a telegram to President Roosevelt asking him to keep the federal troops at Goldfield. The dispatch follows:

"The members of the Los Angeles-Nevada Mining Stock Exchange, many of whom are mine owners and thoroughly conversant with conditions at Goldfield, unanimously recommend that at least a detachment of troops remain at Goldfield for the protection of life and property until the strike situation is settled."

A telegram was sent also to Senator Flint as follows:

"The Los Angeles-Nevada Stock Exchange has just wired the president to leave at least a detachment of troops at Goldfield until the strike situation is settled. We beg you to use your influence with him."

BILL TO CREATE VICE ADMIRALTY

Measure Will Raise Rank of Rear Admiral Evans to Fit Dignity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senator Warner of Missouri today introduced a bill creating the rank of vice-admiral in the navy.

Should it become a law it will permit the promotion of Rear Admiral Evans to the proposed rank, but the measure is not intended to accomplish that alone, its purpose being to provide for a rank, that when the navy is represented abroad does not render it necessary for the commander to allow officers of other countries whose navies are of less importance to take precedence over him.

M'CARTHY STOPS WORK ON THE MILLS BUILDING

Trouble Is Result of Jurisdictional Dispute Between Two Unions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—Four hundred union men employed in the reconstruction of the D. O. Mills building on Montgomery and Bush streets went on strike this morning. They were called off by P. H. McCarthy, president of the Building Trades Council of San Francisco, as a result of a disagreement between the steam fitters and the men installing the elevators. It was claimed by the steam fitters that certain pipe carrying steam and connected with the elevators should be connected up by them. The tie-up stops work amounting to over half a million dollars.

Judge Bush Dead.

REDDING, Cal., Dec. 21.—Judge C. C. Bush, Sr., one of the most prominent citizens of Shasta county, died today, aged 75 years. He came to California in 1851.

House wanted immediately; cost from $3000 to $4000. Apply.
SHEPHERD-TEAGUE,
1011 J St.

Osteopathic Physician.
Dr. Minerva Key Chappell, 147 Forsyth Bldg.

SLASHED TONGUE OFF HIS HORSE.

Heartless Act of Cruelty Is Charged.

Witnesses Swear to Having Seen George Shackelford Commit the Act.

A warrant was issued in the justice's court in Clovis yesterday for the arrest of George Shackelford, charging him with cruelty to and mutilation of a horse. Shackleford was driving a four-horse team hitched to a load of lumber through some heavy sand when the team balked. Witnesses assert that he beat the horse he was riding and the other three cruelly for some time, but they were unable or refused to move the heavy load.

Infuriated by his lack of success, he leaped to the ground and with his pocket knife cut almost the entire tongue from the horse he had been riding. The horse's tongue had been injured in some manner and hung from its mouth. Shackleford then mounted the suffering animal again and by renewing the beating, forced the team to draw the load to its destination.

The horse belonged to Pierce & Anderson. When the team arrived at the lumber yard, blood was still streaming from the horse's mouth, covering his breast and forelegs with gore. When questioned, Shackleford stated that the horse had stumbled and bit its tongue off. Several eye witnesses to his act of cruelty told his employers the truth of the matter later, however, and William Harvey, Sr., of the Humane Society was notified of the occurrence.

He immediately laid the facts of the case before the district attorney and swore to a complaint, which was forwarded to the justice, who issued the warrant. The severed tongue was found by the roadside, where Shackleford had thrown it and is now in the possession of the society's officer, Mr. Parker, in Clovis.

French Surrounds Rebels.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from General Drude from Morocco says that two French columns have surrounded a mountain retreat in which the rebellious tribesmen have taken refuge.

Mining Requirement Suspended.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—At the instance of Senator Teller the senate today passed a bill suspending for the year 1907 the requirement that $100 worth of labor shall be done on mining claims in the course of being perfected in the states of Colorado, California, Oregon, South Dakota and Idaho.

Card of Thanks.

Mrs. George Cobb desires to thank her many friends for loyal and generous support in the Republican contest. Also the management of the paper for uniform courtesy and fairness.

MRS. GEO. COBB.

BRUSHES

HAIR BRUSHES—Without question our line of hair brushes is most complete. We carry none but the very best and at prices that make them desirable. Nothing is more desirable than a good comb, brush and mirror. We can match them up in different woods, viz:

Ebony, the very best	$2.50 to $6.50
Turtle Ebony, the latest	$2.00 to $5.00
Rosewood, the favorite	75c to $5.00
Birdseye Maple, very pretty	$1.50 to $3.50
Satinwood	50c to $2.50

MILITARY BRUSHES —We have a very complete line of genuine bristle, solid back, military brushes at prices from $1.50 to $7.50. Excellent for presents for gentlemen. We also have a line of the new style, so called ladies' military brushes. Something fine. Ask to see them.

CLOTH BRUSHES—A complete line of the best obtainable genuine bristle, solid back brushes, different woods, at from 50c to $5.00.

TOOTH BRUSHES—Guaranteed. Good brushes stamped with our own name, 25c to 50c each. If bristles come out we will give you another brush. Our tooth brushes are of the best make and finest quality. We also carry all the leading and popular dentifrices.

MANICURE INSTRUMENTS

Articles of beauty and utility, of extreme acceptability, Christmas presents always in good form and that never fail to delight recipients.

We have just received the finest line of Manicure Sets ever sent to Fresno. Each instrument is guaranteed the very best material and of superior finish. The cases are finished in various kinds of leather. Price $2.50 to $20.00.

PERFUMES

A Most Complete Assortment

Unless you are a stickler for the finest only you may not be interested in what we have to offer. There is nothing more distasteful to a person of refinement than common cheap perfume. It is not really cheap except in quality. Such odors as we carry require much less to produce a pleasing result than cheap ones do to bring about the opposite. Economy clearly suggests try our kind.

We have many odors and handsome packages, designed for gift purposes, at prices from 25c to $5.00.

The Very Daintiest

Of all odors is that of the violet. Of all perfumes this certainly is the one which best succeeds in giving to its user that distinctive individuality so desirable in a perfume.

We have the Dvine Violet, the purest of all the violet perfumes.

Among toilet necessities scented with violet, we have the standard makes of Violet Toilet Water, Violet Talcum, Violet Soaps, Violet Sachets, Violet Lotions, Violet Ammonia, Violet Witch Hazel, Violet Face Powder, etc., etc.

CUTLERY

SCISSORS— Embroidery Scissors, fancy and plain, Button-hole Scissors, Manicure Scissors, Household Scissors, all kinds.

POCKET KNIVES—All kinds, 25c to $7.50.

RAZORS and SHAVING OUTFITS—Safety Razors, Corn Razors. Our Fresno Razor is the best made. Each one is guaranteed satisfactory or money refunded.

See our line of Shaving Sets.

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